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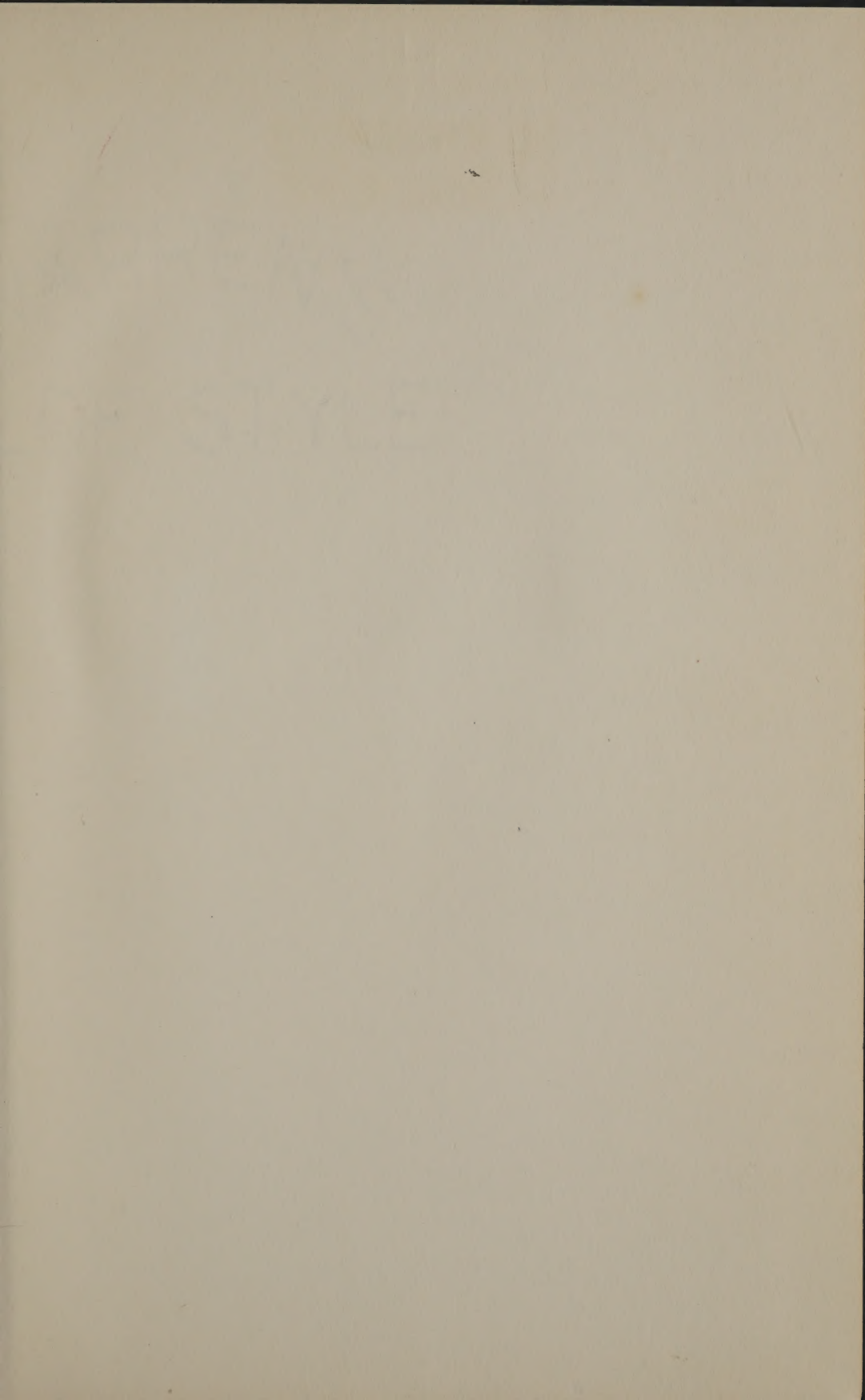
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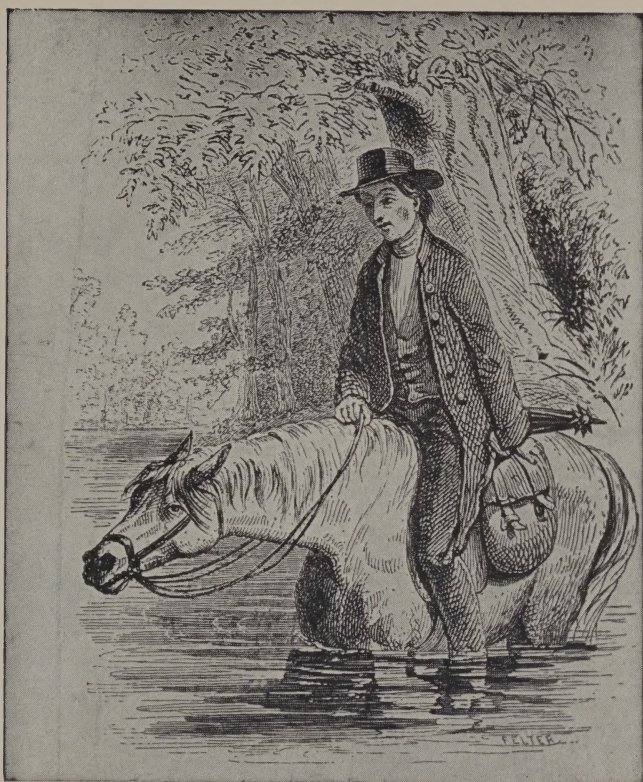
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THE CIRCUIT RIDER

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Stout heart—that lonely figure
Riding in the mists of yesteryear.
You dreamed of trails wider than you traveled, pioneer.

So you have won untarnished glory since that long ago
You journeyed through a wilderness, braved the swollen flow
Of bridgeless streams and hewed your path with spiritual elation,
To carry Gospel tidings to a far-flung congregation.

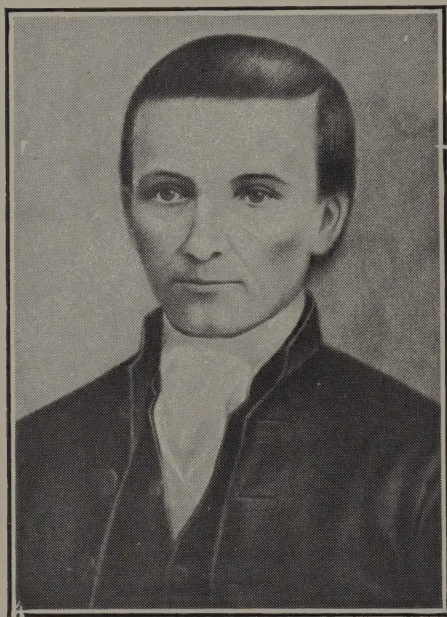
Stout heart—that solitary traveler
Blazing trails forever wider, wider.
You set a goal, and gained it, staunch and sturdy circuit rider.

Astride your horse your journeys led through woods and dangerous swamp,
The Book within your saddlebags. No praise. No pomp.
And that dauntless courage that unfaltering zeal supplied.
A faith-forged link, from Church to lonely fireside.

Stout heart! No mighty monuments have been erected
To mark the way you trod.
But your deeds emblaze celestial records, man of God!

* Written especially for this History.

FOUNDER AND FIRST BISHOP OF THE
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JACOB ALBRIGHT
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FOREWORD

The devotion and diligence, the unity and solidarity, of the ministry and laity of the Central Pennsylvania Conference have resulted, under the blessing of Almighty God, in epochal events and achievements, the record of which should not only be passed orally from one generation to another, or placed in scattered local archives, but should be gathered, in so far as this is possible, into a central depository and the major items be published in permanent form for the information of the rank and file of our membership.

As a young minister I was greatly charmed by the portrayal of the early history of our conference by such esteemed and well-informed brethren as Father Seibert and Doctor Stapleton. The former, being licensed by the conference only seven years after its organization, spoke from personal experience and observation; the latter, being a well-known historian of the denomination, spoke out of a wealth of information gained through patient research. While I am not historically minded, the episodes which these brethren related concerning the pioneers of our conference and the development of the work within our area greatly fascinated me. It was very gratifying therefore to see the conference outline a comprehensive program for the Centennial Celebration and to include in it the publication of a history of the conference.

The conference has the unique distinction of having within its boundaries much of the territory where the early events of our denominational history took place, some of which antedate the organization of the area as a separate annual conference. However, the localities and events within our boundaries that have to do with the history of our church at large have been used only as a background for the fascinating story of the first century of the history of our own conference as set forth in this volume.

The Centennial Committee considers itself very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Rev. W. E. Peffley, D.D., Editor of the Sunday-school publications of the Evangelical Church, to edit this Conference History. Doctor Peffley is a highly esteemed member of our conference, gifted as an author and editor, and well versed in the history of our Church and of our conference. Associated with him in gathering material for the volume have been two honored conference associates who are historically minded and especially fitted for the task assigned to them: Rev. J. D. Shortess, D.D., and Rev. A. D. Gramley, B.D. Only the careful reader will realize how

much the conference owes to these brethren for their extensive research and painstaking labor.

May all who read catch something of the spirit and passion of the pioneers of our conference and thus help to make the succeeding century upon which we now enter also one of notable progress and achievement.

A. F. WEAVER.

Chairman, Committee on Centennial.

PREFACE

For one hundred years (1839-1939) the pastors and laymen of Central Pennsylvania were so busily engaged in making history that they found no time to write a history presenting the progressive development of the great evangelical enterprise instituted by the "honest tiler," Jacob Albright. In anticipation of the centennial in 1939 the Annual Conference in 1937 took steps to produce the much-needed Conference History by appointing a Centennial Committee to plan an appropriate celebration of the centennial of the organization of the Conference and the Conference Missionary Society. A part of the work of this Committee was the preparation of a Conference History. For this task the undersigned was designated as editor, and Rev. J. D. Shortess, D.D., and Rev. A. D. Gramley, B.D., historians.

The development of Central Pennsylvania Conference is so fundamentally a part of the beginning of the general denominational history that it would be impossible to write the history of either the conference or the church without reaching over into the history of the other. Within the bounds of this conference the first Evangelical church, the first printing establishment, and the first higher educational institution were established; here also the General Missionary Society was formed; and here the Historical Society of the Church had its beginning. During its century of service the conference has contributed to the leadership of the church in various offices of responsibility: bishops, missionaries, church editors, secretaries of general promotional organizations and agencies.

This History comes to you as the result of patient research and compilation on the part of the historians assigned to this task, together with the contribution of their own rich fund of historical data. Much that they could have added to the interest of their contribution they were compelled for lack of space to omit: great ventures and sacrifices of the pioneer preachers and laymen; rich experiences in revival meetings, camp meetings and bush meetings; hardships and self-denials; sorrows and joys. We are grateful to them for this interesting and informing presentation of the great historical movement in our conference. In the Table of Contents we have designated the materials which they contributed. We desire to express our gratitude to the pastors for their informing contributions in the histories of their local churches. This meant much difficult work in some instances because of scanty church records and complete losses

by fire in some cases. To the members of the Centennial Committee for their helpful criticisms and suggestions, to C. H. Breon, photographer, for the conference group picture, and to all who furnished materials and gave encouragement for the prosecution of this work we are grateful.

This History will serve its real purpose if we will remember that it is still in the making and that our pathway to continued progress may be brightened by the glory of the past; and that the victories of the fathers depend upon us for their perfection and permanency, as the author of Hebrews declared of the patriarchs of Israel: "God having provided some better thing concerning us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect."

To this high purpose, that we review with joy the achievements of the past century and that we dedicate ourselves to the great unfinished task of the Evangelical Church, we present this effort with a prayer that it may serve this purpose and bring honor to God.

W. E. PEFFLEY.

December 1, 1939.

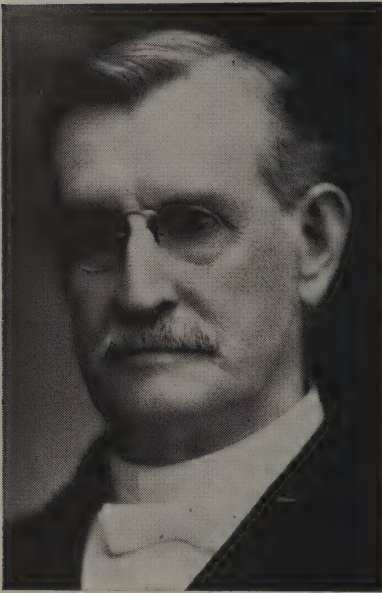
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BISHOP JOHN SAMUEL STAMM, D.D., LL.D.

*To whom, in appreciation of his
efficient leadership, wise counsel,
and loving fellowship, this volume
is affectionately dedicated*

OUR HISTORIANS



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CHAPTER I

THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania is called the Keystone State and completes the magnificent arch of the solid masonry of the thirteen states or original colonies. This state has sixty-seven counties and its geographical area is 45,215 square miles. The topography of the state has three well-defined physical divisions, namely: the Eastern Plain, the Middle Hills, and the Western Highlands. The maximum altitude of the ridges running from North to South is 2,500 feet. The Appalachian Mountain system presides with momentous dignity over the Blue and Allegheny ranges. These mountains are intersected by numerous broad and fertile valleys. Among them are the Cumberland Valley, Penns Valley, Brush Valley, Dry Valley, Nittany Valley, White Deer Valley, Sugar Valley, Fishing Creek Valley, Keystone Valley, Middle Creek Valley, and Bald Eagle Valley. The Cumberland Valley is a garden spot. If you wish to have a partial emotion like unto Moses when he viewed the landscape o'er from Pisgah's lofty height, you take your position on Sterrett's Gap and look over Cumberland Valley. A beautiful panorama!

The western tableland occupies one-half of the area of the state. This section of Pennsylvania is a broad rolling plateau gently sloping toward Lake Erie. There are six distinct water basins that drain the state: the Delaware, the Susquehanna, the Genesee, the Potomac, the Ohio River, and Lake Erie. The numerous deposits of coal, both anthracite and bituminous, make Pennsylvania a mining state. One of the most prolific coal beds is in the region of Pittsburgh and yields 100,000,000 tons per year. This coal is famous for its coke. Graphite, slate, and iron deposits abound. There are also zinc, copper, soapstone, nickle, marble, and limestone deposits, and the state ranks high in the production of cement, lime, brick, slate, tile, and petroleum. Natural gas prevails in the western section of the state, and the crops of hay, wheat, corn, potatoes; and dairy products help to make Pennsylvania prominent. The state is noted for its agriculture and manifold industries. The climate is temperate, the soil fertile, farming is a pleasure. Apples, cherries, strawberries, cereals and vegetables are plentiful. Years ago you could hear the sawmills eat their way into the forests harvesting the hemlocks, the spruce, and the stately pines. The mountains of Pennsylvania yielded some of the best lumber. For scenery you need but visit Mauch Chunk, the Switzerland of Pennsylvania, and numerous other scenic places. The white oak is

the most important hardwood in the state and it is used extensively for inside finishing and furniture. Pennsylvania is a *multum in parvo* and has a variety of scenery and products. Electric power plants are sitting in dynamic strength along the rivers and streams. High tension wires convey the current of these plants to the cities. Millions of volts silently but powerfully bring multimillions of horsepower to run our industries and light our cities and villages throughout the state.

Harrisburg is the capital, and our thriving Evangelical Publishing House is located there. Philadelphia is the principal city and one of the greatest manufacturing points in the Union. The state is rich in history and Philadelphia is noted as the patriotic shrine of freedom. Independence Hall with its famous Liberty Bell and the home of Benjamin Franklin, the homespun philosopher and great statesman, are located here. The state was named after William Penn to whom the land was granted in lieu of the arrears due to his father, Sir William Penn, an English admiral. King Charles II proposed the name Pennsylvania in 1682. On account of persecutions in Europe, Germans and Quakers found an asylum among the sequestered hills of Pennsylvania. Great events took place on Pennsylvania's soil. Pivotal historical events! Valley Forge, Brandywine, Fort Duquesne, and Gettysburg are national parks and patriotic shrines. In 1930 the population registered 9,631,500. Important towns and cities of the state are Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton, Tamaqua, Bethlehem, Allentown, Reading, Lancaster, York, Wrightsville, Carlisle, Newport, Lewistown, Mifflin, Middleburg, New Berlin, Lewisburg, Mifflinburg, Milton, Williamsport, Jersey Shore, Lock Haven, Bellefonte, Altoona, Johnstown, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

The author of this article was pleased to gain the permission of the poet, H. H. Hain, formerly of Marysville, Pa., to quote his beautiful metrical lines on "Penn-Sylvania."

"PENN'S WOODS"

It seems the joy of Heaven
Just flashes at sunset's glow
Over the Alleghenies
And the rivers down below;
From Lake Erie to the Delaware,
O'er the Mason-Dixon Line,
You get a glimpse of Heaven
Each evening at sunset time.

A commonwealth of landscapes
From meadow to timber-line,
Keystone of the great Union,
Since seventeen eighty-nine;

Kissed by Atlantic breezes,
From lands of the rising sun,
Home of the "Quaker City,"
Where the Liberty Bell was rung.

Checkered with mighty highways,
Through mountain, valley and glen,
And beautified by rivers,
Is this wonderland of Penn:
Where states were forged in Union,
And were welded to remain,
At Valley Forge and Gettysburg,
In the land of Anthony Wayne.

—H. H. Hain.

Mr. H. H. Hain's poem pictures the natural beauty of Pennsylvania with native historical ability, and tells us of the whole line of scenic splendors and a large circle of historical points.

Inasmuch as so large a portion of the history of the Evangelical Church took place in Pennsylvania, we have given the story of the State.

The people of Pennsylvania in the days of Jacob Albright spoke the German dialect called "Pennsylvania Dutch." This, the tongue or speech of the industriously hard working farmers, is a language that embraces a nomenclature of people that toil. The language stops at the point where labor stops. Beyond the industrial realm it was necessary to shift to the real scriptural German. There was a phraseology in vogue for the farms and the kitchen, but when these people attended church services or entertained in their parlors the real German had to be employed. In those days of frugality and toil, grandmother would spin and spin her wool. The hum of the spinning wheel could be heard in the kitchen.

In the summertime the fertile valleys laughed harvests, and in the winter season the snow blanketed the hillsides. Rabbits and birds quilted the snow-blankets with their tracks, and the designs of which spoke of cheer and frolic. The prairies and plateaus served as sundials. The woodsman brought his cords of wood, the farmer his products from glad acres, the shepherd boy came with his sheep and lambs, the carpenter with his mechanical skill, and the mother moved about in the house in her quiet and sacrificial way. It was the custom in rural sections to invite the pastor and the schoolteacher on butchering days. The circuit rider received some oats for his horse and a "Metzel soup," or a plate of sausage and "Panhaus" as a token of goodwill. Generally an atmosphere of cheer prevailed on such occasions. In the evenings, the people of the community attended the evangelistic services. The church was crowded. Sinners were saved.

CHAPTER II

THE DAYS OF BEGINNINGS

OUR FATHERS—A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

BISHOP H. B. HARTZLER, D.D.

Awake, thou harp of mine, awake!
Awake to song for love's sweet sake;
The virtues of our fathers sing,
And love's memorial tribute bring.

Our fathers—who and what were they?
They lived and toiled their little day,
Prepared for other feet the way,
Then, worn and weary, passed away.

From humble, virtuous homes they came,
Unknown to fame, or pride of name;
Untaught in learning of the schools,
Free from tradition's bonds and rules.

Theirs was the open heart and mind,
The simple faith to truth inclined,
The soul where God could work his will,
Where love could suffer and be still.

Their hearts were wed to one dear name,
Nor lure of wealth, nor ease, nor fame,
Nor scorn of man, nor hellish hate,
Could move them from their blest estate.

Their lives were hid with Christ in God,
Like planted seed beneath the sod;
So, they could suffer and be strong,
And cheer life's way with joyous song.

Content with all-sufficient grace,
They sought not riches, power, nor place,
But gave themselves, at any cost,
To seek and save that which was lost.

They sowed the seed of toilsome years,
On furrowed fields bedewed with tears,
And where their toil seemed oft in vain,
We reap with joy the ripened grain.

Their swift race run, their labors done,
They found their rest at set of sun,
They saw their good works follow on,
And heard their Master's sweet "Well done!"

O Lord, our God, be with us, too,
As thou wast with those valiant few,
And help us too, our work to do
With hearts unfaltering, brave, and true.

Much of the early history of the Evangelical group took place on the virgin soil of the Central Pennsylvania territory. Therefore it is necessary in the preparation of this "Central Centennial" volume to give the events leading up to the organization of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. This conference has had a continuous growth and strategic development from the very beginning of the Evangelical Church. If you would eliminate the events that took place in this section the whole framework and texture of the Evangelical denomination would be an ecclesiastical enigma. The days spent here by the fathers and founders of the Evangelical Church were all pioneer days filled with crusading events.

Our ecclesiastical cradle stood in the open. There was not so much as an Abrahamic tent with wind-swept curtains to afford shelter and protection. | Jacob Albright, the heroic founder of the Evangelical Church, never saw an Evangelical church building. The first church edifice erected in the entire denomination was built in modest style on the banks of Penns Creek, a meandering stream in New Berlin, Pa., 1816, just eight years after Albright's death. |

New Berlin is an inland town nestling at the foot of a mountain and located on the banks of a stream. The mountain speaks of solidity, strength and stability, and the stream speaks of freedom and fluency. This is very suggestive. The history of our church is New Berlin written large. | New Berlin became the seat and center of many of the interests of the Evangelical *corpus*. Here the first publishing house with its modest equipment was located; here the first Evangelical church edifice was built of logs; here the first Evangelical graveyard was purchased; here Union Seminary, the first institution of higher learning, was established; here many annual and general conferences were held. Near this historic village the first German camp meeting in America was held in 1810; near this place the first General Conference was held in the farmhouse of Martin Dreisbach, the father of John Dreisbach, who took such a prominent part in the foundation and groundwork of the Evangelical Church. Close by this historic spot stands the John S. Dunkel brick house where the parent missionary society was organized in March, 1839.

Our beginnings were small but they had life and potentiality. The personnel of the early pioneer days had conviction, dynamics, courage, aggressiveness, adventure, and a crusading purpose. Their ventures became thrilling adventures. Fiery trails are always attractive and

easy to trace. The fathers and mothers of the early days of the Evangelical pathfinders were gifted in prayer and lived devout Christian lives.

Beginnings are always interesting. A cradle is suggestive and is made to rock to and fro with possibilities and potentialities. The acorn suggests the giant oak. The *Mayflower* of German immigration was the British ship *Concord*. The first colony of Germans came to America in this ship in 1683, two hundred fifty-six years ago. The tide of immigration grew until more than 20,000 families settled in Pennsylvania among whom was John Albright, the father of Jacob Albright. In the background of our history as a church we have religious intolerance caused by the Treaty of Westphalia in 1648 which ended the Thirty Years War. Liberties were gone, lands had been devastated by cruel wars in Europe, the provinces along the Rhine were woefully oppressed and America offered freedom to the Protestants of the Palatinate.

But in this new country these German people became worldly minded and piety was at a low ebb, Bible study was neglected, the Sabbath was desecrated, and having no spiritual shepherds the flocks were scattered and the churches were empty. To remedy this state of affairs, God raised up a Jacob Albright, an Otterbein, an Asbury, and a Winebrenner. These men preached conversion and consecration. At the age of thirty-two, Jacob Albright was soundly converted, and his religious experience was so definite, so real, and so sweeping that he could not doubt it. His conversion has been the real key to the type of religion for which the Evangelical Church has always stood. The emotional element has been somewhat emphasized in our religious services, giving opportunities for lay members to exercise in public prayer and testimony. This distinctive feature has been maintained through the intervening years and the real genius of the Evangelical spirit has been handed down to our day and generation.

Jacob Albright would never have traveled as he did, would never have toiled as he did, would never have suffered persecution as he did, if all he had to give to his fellow Germans were but doubts, negations, and criticisms. But this man of God knew certain great, far-reaching Gospel truths which were vital to him and to his fellow countrymen. He knew he was saved through and through, and had a rich spiritual experience.

Albright became an open-air campaigner because he had an evangelistic urge and delighted to follow stream beds, climb hills, sweep through valleys and penetrate woodlands in search of the lost sheep of the house of Pennsylvania Germans.

Albright's evangelistic campaigns were intensive as well as exten-

sive. He swept the outposts of Central Pennsylvania and was fearless in his proclamation of the truth. His messages were timely and suited the age in which he lived. He placed the emphasis where it belonged. He preached repentance as only he could preach it. The Bible was his textbook and he proclaimed the widening sovereignty of Jesus; for his goal was the evangelization of the German-speaking people of America and Europe.

Big meetings were held to promote the spiritual life and into these the fathers and mothers gathered for fasting, prayer and preaching. Such a meeting was held at Martin Dreisbach's in Buffalo Valley just a few miles west of Lewisburg, in the regions of the Central Pennsylvania Conference on October 25, 1806. Albright, John Walter, and George Miller, all colaborers of Jacob Albright, did the preaching. Their sermons were very powerful. So much so that many people fell on their knees and with penitential tears and earnest outcries besought the Lord to have mercy on them and save them from their sins. The Holy Spirit came upon them with great power. Albright's tours took in the Cumberland Valley, Penns Valley, Brush Valley, Sugar Valley, York County, Freysville, Seitz's appointment on Loganville Charge, Glen Rock, Shrewsbury, York, down to Virginia, over into Cambria County in the region of Johnstown, Pa. He was a real itinerant. Cheerfulness, buoyancy, positiveness, and earnestness were blended in Albright's character.

CHAPTER III

SOME CONFERENCE LANDMARKS

THE FAMOUS EYER BARN

This historic barn is a stone structure and is the center of historic interest in the village of Winfield, Pennsylvania. It was erected by Abraham Eyer in 1805 and has a very substantial appearance, and is, in its stateliness and solid masonry, a type of the Evangelical fathers who worshiped in it.

Mr. Eyer migrated to this section from Lancaster County in 1773 in answer to prayer. His object was to better himself financially and spiritually. His family was large and he needed to improve himself in temporal economy; so he made an overland trip from Lancaster County to Dry Valley in Union County. He halted at a wayside oak, two miles inland from the Susquehanna River, at Winfield, towards New Berlin. Here he located and his pilgrimage ended. This oak was preserved as a landmark for many years.

The earthly possessions of Abraham Eyer at this time consisted of his two horses and a wagon with a few items of household goods and articles of furniture, and three dollars in money. Here this enterprising pioneer found a considerable tract of land unoccupied and took possession of it. The Lord blessed him and his household. Twenty-four years later, in May of 1797, Mr. Eyer bought the river farm at Winfield and erected the famous "Eyer Barn," which is still standing in its substantial beauty. Father Eyer opened his house and barn to Albright and his associates, and many general as well as important meetings were held in this barn. On Sabbath afternoons Father Eyer would call his large family together, and read to them out of his German Bible and explain portions of the same to them. A schoolteacher would sit in occasionally to listen to these expositions. His name was Henry Niebel, who later married one of Mr. Eyer's daughters and became an Evangelical preacher of note.

The ninth annual conference was held in this barn, June, 1816, and Rev. John Dreisbach, Eyer's son-in-law, was the chairman, while Rev. Henry Niebel, the scholar, another son-in-law, was the secretary. Some far-reaching items of business and legislation were considered and transacted in this barn upon this occasion. The publishing interests of our Church were launched here; the call was issued for the holding of the first General Conference; and twelve delegates were elected to constitute the first General Conference. Out of this

barn, the first missionaries were sent to the State of Ohio, namely: Adam Hennig and Fred Showers. Adam Hennig, the writer's mother's uncle, was faithful in the discharge of his missionary duties in Ohio and accomplished a great work.

Adam Hennig was an expert as a missionary braving the dangers of the wilderness and the perils of wild beasts. This heroic preacher soon formed a circuit in Ohio, four hundred miles around, beginning at New Philadelphia and extending westward, including such points as Canton, New Lisbon, Wooster, and Mansfield. There was an Evangelical family who cherished the idea and nourished the wish that some day an itinerant preacher of the Evangelical Church would visit them in Ohio and preach a sermon. This request was strangely granted. While this family was engaged in boiling apple butter, they saw a man on horseback coming down the road. They discovered it was an Evangelical preacher. They investigated and sure enough it was Rev. Adam Hennig from the Eyer barn in Pennsylvania. An appointment was made for the missionary and that evening a large audience came to hear the sermon. A revival broke out and an appointment was established at this point in Ohio.

The General Conference delegates were elected in the Eyer barn, and there were twelve in number: John Dreisbach, John Walter, John Erb, John Stambach, John Kleinfelter, John Dehoff, John Frueh, Henry Niebel, Leonhart Zimmerman, Solomon Miller, David Thomas, Adam Ettinger. The John Walter listed here is not the one who was so richly gifted as a preacher.

THE DREISBACH HOME

The historic Martin Dreisbach homestead is located in the beautiful Buffalo Valley approximately three miles west of Lewisburg, the Jerusalem of the Central Conference, and here the first General Conference met, October 14-17, 1816, with John Dreisbach as chairman, and Henry Niebel as secretary. Here the new name, "Die Evangelische Gemeinschaft,"—The Evangelical Association—was adopted. The triumvirate of heroes and evangelistic torchbearers, namely, Jacob Albright, George Miller and John Walter held some wonderful meetings in the Dreisbach home. The membership was doubled in 1806. Six classes were organized. The growth of the church went forward with leaps and bounds. Revival fires were burning brightly throughout this central territory. The oldest organization of Evangelicals west of the Susquehanna River was effected in Mifflin County near Lawver's church, and was called the Thomas class. The class leader of the Thomas class was Fred Harpster; the class leader of the Middleburg class in Snyder County was John Walter, (not the Rev.

John Walter); the class leader of the New Berlin class was Michael Maize; the class leader of the Winfield class was Abraham Eyer; the class leader of the Brush Valley class was Christopher Spangler; and of the Millheim class, George Swartz.

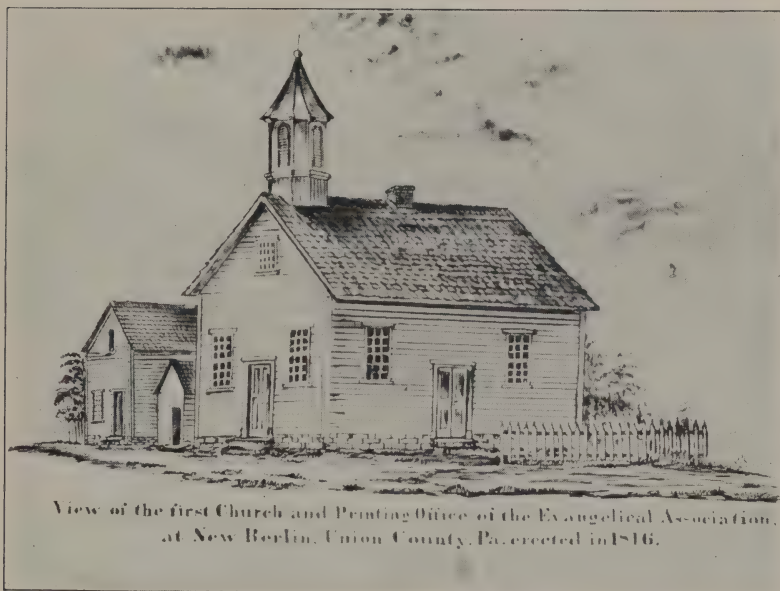
THE JOHN S. DUNKEL HOME

John S. Dunkel was married to Leah Dreisbach, a daughter of Martin Dreisbach, and a sister of John Dreisbach. He was a man of business abilities, good judgment, accuracy in his accounts, dependable, a tower of financial strength in those early days. He was favorably known throughout the denomination for his business integrity. His farm was near the Dreisbach farm. This substantial brick farm house was erected in 1834, and is in use today. In this house in a room upstairs located in the southwest corner, on March 1, 1839, the General Missionary Society of the Evangelical Church was organized. The constitution for the same was drawn up and adopted. The officers were duly elected as follows: president, John Seybert; first vice-president, James Barber; second vice-president, Daniel Berger; third vice-president, George Brickley; secretary, Solomon G. Miller; corresponding secretary, W. W. Orwig; treasurer, John S. Dunkel.

John S. Dunkel retained the office of treasurer of the Missionary Society for twenty-five years, and in 1864 at the age of sixty-seven he died in the triumphs of faith. It is interesting to note that three of his accomplished daughters married Evangelical preachers, namely, Susan Dunkel was married to Charles Hammer, a prominent minister, serving as presiding elder, publisher, and superintendent of the Evangelical Orphan Home at Flat Rock, Ohio; Sophia was married to J. G. Miller; and Mary was married to Benjamin Hengst, who was a fluent writer and a spicy preacher, being versed in the Scriptures and able to speak both the German and the English language. He was blessed with the gift of using original and apt illustrations in his sermonic efforts. The Dunkel house is built of brick, is in good repair, and is the property of Isaac Dunkel, a grandson who resides in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. The eldest granddaughter of John S. Dunkel, Jemima, was married to John G. M. Swengel, a brother of Bishop U. F. Swengel. The name of the missionary organization was: "The Missionary Society of the Evangelical Association of North America."

AN OLD-TIME CAMP MEETING

In 1832, the first camp meeting was held in Brush Valley, Center County, Pennsylvania, on the farm of Christopher Spangler, who



View of the first Church and Printing Office of the Evangelical Association,
at New Berlin, Union County, Pa. erected in 1816.

THE FIRST EVANGELICAL CHURCH AND PUBLISHING HOUSE,
NEW BERLIN, PA., 1816



THE FAMOUS EYER BARN, ERECTED IN 1805. STILL STANDING,
WINFIELD, PA.



A TYPICAL CAMP MEETING SCENE OF THE EARLY DAYS

was a fine Christian gentleman and opened his house as a preaching place for Jacob Albright in 1805. This meeting among the stately trees was one of the most remarkable ever held in the Central Pennsylvania Conference territory because of its far-reaching consequences. Out of this camp meeting important results issued and the Evangelical work was established in Sugar Valley which became an Evangelical stronghold. Up to this time Evangelicals failed to get a foothold in Sugar Valley because of the antagonism of the people who were strenuously opposed to evangelistic and protracted meetings.

All this was changed by the following episode. A number of men agreed to cross the mountain to attend the Spangler camp meeting and investigate for themselves just what these evangelistic services were like. In the party, who were to make this expedition and scouting survey, were A. W. Berry, U. P. Dubs, and Jacob Kerstetter. They made this tour of inspection in their hunting outfits, armed with rifles and knives, taking with them a jug of whiskey. By the time they arrived at the Spangler residence they were under the influence of liquor and took things in their own hands, which action terrorized the camp meeting people, as may be supposed. They spent the night on the ground, but the people avoided them and averted a collision with them.

The following morning the three men were discovered sitting on a log near the camp evidently planning their course of procedure for the day. They may have been discussing the merits and demerits of the camp meeting. Father Spangler was a diplomat as well as an adroit manager. He determined to conquer this trio in true Evangelical style. He did. He approached them and addressed them in a kind and gracious manner. This was just what they needed. He did not chide them nor reproach them, but assumed that they were visitors and had come to get information and do good. This treatment captured them. Father Spangler said, "I want you to go with me to my tent for breakfast." This was more than they had bargained for when they set out for the camp. After much persuasion backed up by candor and sincerity, they were induced to come to the tent and partake of the tastily-prepared refreshments. Step by step, these men were disarmed of their weapons and their bitter hatred and prejudice. Their confidence was fully gained. They were in a submissive mood. Father Spangler was polite and gracious. In this atmosphere he disarmed them. He said, "As you have come to visit our camp meeting you do not want to be burdened with your guns, and although you mean no harm, yet timid people may think you have evil intentions; besides this, it does not look very well to carry guns in a religious meeting; with your permission

I will take your hunting outfits over to my house, and then, whenever you wish to go home you can get them." This statement had a warm and generous heart beat in it. The men made a complete surrender to Father Spangler. But a stupendous struggle was going on in their hearts. The powerful preaching of the evening previous, the singing of the German battle choruses and the powerful pleadings by the gifted Evangelicals made them think seriously of God.

Mr. Berry was deeply convicted of sin and began to seek the Lord in the pardon of his sins. He was soundly converted. He knelt at a mourner's bench. He became a potential agent for good in his own community, and a pillar in the Church. He lived an exemplary Christian life.

MILLHEIM AND MUSSER'S CHURCH

Millheim and vicinity must not be overlooked. Millheim has a splendid Evangelical history. It is a thriving village located in Center County, Pennsylvania. It is in the heart of the industrious farming life and commercial spirit of the valley. Into this section Jacob Albright and his colleagues came. As early as 1804 he found many open doors. The homes of the following were stopping places for Albright: Paul Bachman, John Adam Hennig, John Wise, Henry Smith, and George Swartz. Here Albright found a warm reception. Among his converts were Matthias and John Betz, who became prominent ministers.

In 1839, at the General Conference held in the Musser church near Millheim, John Seybert was elected the first bishop of the Evangelical Church. This bachelor preacher enjoyed traveling and had the spirit of a pioneer. At this important General Conference a new epoch in the history of our beloved Zion began; 1839 is an outstanding date in the annals of our church. It is a date worthy of a centennial celebration. Thomas Buck was the president, and George Brickley, the secretary of this extraordinary convocation of Evangelicals. At this session the powers of the bishop were defined. Hitherto, the discipline neither defined nor limited the powers of the General Conference; and its power to alter or to add to the articles of faith and discipline was practically unlimited. At this session these powers were defined. The delegated system was introduced. The delegates to General Conference were to be elected on the basis of one out of every four annual conference members. The German organ *Der Christliche Botschafter* was enlarged and the subscription price was raised to one dollar per annum. It was voted to publish a pocket edition of the German Bible. Six thousand copies of an

elementary schoolbook was ordered to be printed. This textbook was prepared by W. W. Orwig. He also edited a number of Sunday-school books for the Evangelical press. Charles Hammer was elected publisher and book agent, and W. W. Orwig, editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*. This German periodical had the largest circulation of any German paper in the United States. At this session the constitution of the General Missionary Society of the Evangelical Association of North America was approved and ultimately adopted. Bishop Seybert exerted a wholesome and beneficial influence in the missionary movement of our church, for he was the master spirit. Large sums were flowing into the missionary treasury. Missions were established in New York City, the Mohawk Mission, the Waterloo Mission and the Black Creek Mission. These were located in New York State and in Upper Canada. Bishop Seybert was identified with the early missionary enterprises of our church, for he was the first real missionary of the church. The work of the church was divided into three Annual Conferences by this General Conference, namely, "East Pennsylvania," "West or Central Pennsylvania," and "Ohio."

The leading merchant of Millheim was John Hammer, the father of Charles Hammer who was born December 7, 1809, and became one of the distinguished leaders and pioneers of the church. He served as Book Agent both in New Berlin and at Cleveland, was superintendent of the Orphan Home at Flat Rock, Ohio, from 1868 to 1876.

LEWISBURG

In 1806, Evangelical preachers came to Lewisburg to preach. This collegiate inland city is now an Evangelical stronghold. It has been spoken of as the "Jerusalem" of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. Important events took place in this Evangelical center. Christian Wolfe was the class leader of the Lewisburg class. He was a hat maker, and his wife was an aunt of John Dreisbach, the first presiding elder of our church, and the first missionary to New York State. Evangelical families from Lewisburg migrated into New York State and Canada, and Joseph Harlacher rendered faithful services as a missionary in Canada. He was born near Lewisburg in 1812. He was the founder of the work in Buffalo, New York, and Berlin, now Kitchener, Canada.

YORK COUNTY

In 1808, Jacob Frey was appointed by Albright to preach at Freysville, Pennsylvania. A new circuit was organized. John Frey was the class leader and this stronghold became the center of far-

reaching activities. All the prosperous Evangelical churches in York County came out of this early and thriving appointment. It became a swarming beehive. God blessed and prospered the Evangelicals in this section. Not so far from this point the Mt. Zion church on the Loganville charge was erected and holds the honor and distinction of being the second church edifice ever built in the denomination. It was a substantial stone building. From this center the work spread with rapidity and prosperity to Shrewsbury, Loganville, Glen Rock, Yorkana, East Prospect, York, and Red Lion. At one time, Shrewsbury was an Evangelical stronghold, and some of the leading preachers came from this appointment.

Red Lion was a small village in those days, for it had only three houses at first, but now it is a progressive little city set on a hill that cannot so easily be hidden, radiating life in its enterprising ventures. It has a Sunday-school enrollment of 2,150 and a church membership of 1,128, being one of the largest, if not the largest Sunday school in York County and in the denomination. What an honor! Despise not the day of small things. When Red Lion wanted to build a church, there were not enough qualified laymen to serve as trustees, and Freysville furnished the men. There is only a short distance between Red Lion and Freysville. Again and again, during the years, revival fires broke out throughout the county, and today the Evangelical Church stands second in numerical and spiritual strength in the county, and third in the flourishing manufacturing city of York. What an achievement! More than thirty-five Evangelical preachers came from York County, some of whom became prominent in the Evangelical Church.

Bishop J. F. Dunlap, D.D., comes from the Freysville class, and Bishop H. B. Hartzler, D.D., editor and author, the devotional hymn writer and poet of our church, and his brother, Jacob Hartzler, at one time editor of the *Evangelical-Messenger* and missionary to Japan, came from this neighborhood, as also E. Kohr, a gifted preacher and leader in the conference, and Thomas Buck, the first publisher. Freysville has a continuous history of one hundred twenty-nine years and was served in these years by one hundred forty-four senior and junior preachers,

CHAPTER IV

BISHOPS AND DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS THE BISHOPS OF THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

1. Jacob Albright,	elected	1807
2. John Seybert,	"	1839
3. Joseph Long,	"	1843
4. W. W. Orwig,	"	1859
5. Jacob Esher,	"	1863
6. Rudolph Dubs,	"	1875
7. Thomas Bowman,	"	1875
8. Reuben Yeakel,	"	1875
9. William Horn,	"	1881
10. C. S. Haman,	"	1891
11. W. M. Stanford,	"	1891
12. C. S. Breyfogel,	"	1891
13. H. B. Hartzler,	"	1902
14. W. F. Heil,	"	1902
15. U. F. Swengel,	"	1910
16. W. H. Fouke,	"	1910
17. M. T. Maze,	"	1918
18. S. P. Spreng,	"	1907
19. L. H. Seager,	"	1915
20. G. Heinmiller,	"	1915
21. John F. Dunlap,	"	1922
22. John S. Stamm,	"	1926
23. S. J. Umbreit,	"	1926
24. George E. Epp,	"	1930
25. E. W. Praetorius,	"	1934
26. C. H. Stauffacher,	"	1934

THE LIST OF PRESIDING ELDERS AND DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

1. John Dreisbach,	elected	1814
2. Henry Niebel,	"	1815
3. John Erb,	"	1820
4. John Kleinfelter,	"	1821
5. James Barber,	"	1822
6. Adam Kleinfelter,	"	1823
7. John Seybert,	"	1825

8. Philip Wagoner,	"	1827
9. Thomas Buck and Jos. Long	"	1828
10. W. W. Orwig,	"	1833
11. J. M. Saylor,	"	1833
12. J. G. Zinzer,	"	1834
13. J. P. Leib,	"	1836
14. Charles Hammer,	"	1837
15. H. Bucks,	"	1838
16. J. M. Sindlinger,	"	1839
17. George Brickley,	"	1839
18. Adam Ettinger,	"	1842
19. Daniel Kehr,	"	1843
20. A. Longdorf,	"	1844
21. Moses Bower,	"	1845
22. Jacob Boas,	"	1847
23. George Weirick,	"	1848
24. J. Dunlap,	"	1849
25. Uriah Eberhart,	"	1849
26. Benjamin Hengst,	"	1856
27. Emanuel Kohr,	"	1858
28. J. M. Young,	"	1860
29. S. W. Seibert,	"	1861
30. S. Wolf,	"	1864
31. Martin J. Carothers,	"	1868
32. C. F. Deininger,	"	1871
33. Samuel Smith,	"	1871
34. A. L. Reeser,	"	1872
35. W. E. Detwiler,	"	1879
36. Uriah F. Swengel,	"	1880
37. P. W. Raidabaugh,	"	1883
38. J. M. Ettinger,	"	1884
39. I. M. Pines,	"	1887
40. H. W. Buck,	"	1887
41. Jacob Hartzler,	"	1888
42. A. H. Irvine,	"	1891
43. Noah Young,	"	1895
44. A. Stapleton,	"	1895
45. E. Crumbling,	"	1898
46. S. P. Remer,	"	1899
47. John W. Messinger,	"	1903
48. J. C. Reeser,	"	1906
49. John F. Dunlap,	"	1906
50. H. A. Benfer,	"	1907

51. John D. Shortess,	"	1907
52. J. A. Hollenbaugh,	"	1910
53. M. F. Fosselman,	"	1911
54. J. W. Thompson,	"	1911
55. M. I. Jamison,	"	1916
56. C. L. Sones,	"	1916
57. W. B. Cox,	"	1918
58. W. J. Campbell,	"	1919
59. Ira E. Spangler,	"	1922
60. C. I. Raffensperger,	"	1923
61. A. F. Weaver,	"	1927
62. E. C. Basom,	"	1931
63. W. J. Dice,	"	1931
64. N. L. Hummel,	"	1939
65. G. C. Gabriel,	"	1939

CHAPTER V

DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

1843: W. W. Orwig, F. Wagner, A. Ettinger, D. Kehr, C. Hammer, Geo. Brickley, Jacob Boas, S. G. Miller, and Henry Rohland.

1847: P. Wagner, C. Hammer, A. Ettinger, W. W. Orwig, J. Boas, Geo. Brickley, J. C. Reisner, J. M. Sindlinger, A. Longsdorf, J. Dunlap, Henry Rohland, and D. N. Long.

1851: W. W. Orwig, H. Fisher, J. Boas, P. Wagner, U. Eberhart, C. Hammer, L. Eberhart, J. Dunlap, D. N. Long, J. M. Sindlinger, A. Longsdorf, J. M. Young, E. Kohr, J. L. W. Seibert, D. Kehr, M. J. Carothers, and A. Vallerchamp.

1855: W. W. Orwig, P. Wagner, D. Kreamer, J. Boas, M. J. Carothers, A. Longsdorf, B. Hengst, S. Wolf, E. Kohr, J. Dunlap, and J. M. Young.

1859: E. Kohr, W. W. Orwig, B. Hengst, P. Wagner, M. J. Carothers, D. Kreamer, and A. Longsdorf.

1863: E. Kohr, Jacob Young, M. J. Carothers, S. W. Seibert, J. M. Young, A. L. Reeser, Lewis May, and C. F. Deininger.

1867: E. Kohr, J. M. Young, M. J. Carothers, Jacob Young, S. Wolf, S. W. Seibert, Z. Hornberger, S. Smith, and A. Rearick.

1871: M. J. Carothers, J. Young, S. Smith, J. Hartzler, C. F. Deininger, E. Kohr, and S. W. Seibert.

1875: M. J. Carothers, E. Kohr, A. L. Reeser, S. Smith, S. W. Seibert, H. B. Hartzler, C. F. Deininger, I. M. Pines, and B. Hengst.

1879: E. Kohr, M. J. Carothers, A. L. Reeser, W. E. Detwiler, C. F. Deininger, S. Smith, and S. W. Seibert.

1883: W. E. Detwiler, M. J. Carothers, U. F. Swengel, S. W. Seibert, P. W. Raidabaugh, J. Young, and E. Kohr.

1887: M. J. Carothers, I. M. Pines, H. W. Buck, J. M. Ettinger, S. W. Seibert, W. E. Detwiler, U. F. Swengel, and E. Kohr.

1891: M. J. Carothers, H. W. Buck, W. E. Detwiler, J. Hartzler, S. W. Seibert, A. H. Irvine, U. F. Swengel, and J. M. Ettinger.

Delegates, 1894: W. E. Detwiler, H. W. Buck, J. M. Ettinger, U. F. Swengel, M. J. Carothers, J. Hartzler, A. H. Irvine, and A. Stapleton.

Alternates: W. N. Wallis, J. W. Messinger, Noah Young, and A. E. Gobble.

Lay Delegates: Isaiah Bower, I. S. Frain, Prof. W. A. Spate, Daniel Shoemaker, James Carothers, N. T. Dundore, J. S. Anstine, and Elmer Dittmar.

Delegates, 1898: U. F. Swengel, W. E. Detwiler, E. Crumbling, N. Young, A. Stapleton, A. E. Gobble, J. W. Messinger, H. W. Buck, and S. P. Remer.

Alternates: J. Hartzler, A. H. Irvine, W. N. Wallis, Geo. E. Zehner, H. A. Benfer.

Lay Delegates: I. S. Frain, John P. Condo, J. S. Anstine, Geo. W. Thomas, Isaiah Bower, Chas. A. Shaffer, E. B. Weise, G. L. Bailey, and Dr. W. E. Glosser.

Alternates: W. A. Morris, J. Baker, Dr. J. S. Hetrick, F. L. Dershem, and H. H. Brenneman.

Delegates, 1902: E. Crumbling, W. E. Detwiler, U. F. Swengel, N. Young, J. Hartzler, A. Stapleton, S. P. Remer, J. W. Messinger, and A. H. Irvine.

Alternates: H. W. Buck, J. C. Reeser, H. A. Benfer, W. N. Wallis, A. E. Gobble.

Lay Delegates: Prof. John W. Gilmore, Charles A. Shaffer, J. M. Cooper, Isaiah Bower, J. S. Anstine, H. W. Shaffer, D. M. Morris, I. S. Frain, and J. S. Hetrick.

Alternates: J. Lauer, J. W. Ruby, H. S. Wallick, C. T. Hile, and D. Shoemaker.

Delegates, 1906: J. F. Dunlap, U. F. Swengel, J. W. Messinger, J. C. Reeser, E. Crumbling, S. P. Remer, A. Stapleton, W. E. Detwiler, and N. Young.

Alternates: J. Hartzler, John D. Shortess, H. A. Benfer, W. N. Wallis, and M. I. Jamison.

Lay Delegates: H. W. Shaffer, Dr. W. E. Glosser, Hon. F. C. Bowersox, C. T. Hile, Charles A. Shaffer, D. F. Smith, J. W. Slothower, S. S. Sechrist, and J. S. Anstine.

Alternates: S. C. Ranck, J. A. Farley, F. B. Mentzer, J. C. Bosman, and C. H. Webster.

Delegates, 1910: John D. Shortess, J. W. Messinger, H. A. Benfer, J. A. Hollenbaugh, J. C. Reeser, J. F. Dunlap, N. Young, E. Crumbling, and J. W. Thompson.

Alternates: M. F. Fosselman, W. E. Detwiler, M. I. Jamison, J. Hartzler, and A. E. Gobble.

Lay Delegates: C. N. Graybill, L. E. Hartman, I. S. Frain, Charles A. Shaffer, C. T. Hile, J. C. Newcomer, H. W. Shaffer, B. S. Sentz, L. B. Lau, and W. N. Lucas.

Alternates: E. C. Confer, S. C. Ranck, J. W. Slothower, Prof. W. A. Spate, and G. W. Brown.

Delegates, 1914: J. W. Thompson, H. A. Benfer, M. F. Fosselman, John D. Shortess, J. A. Hollenbaugh, E. Crumbling, A. Stapleton, A. E. Gobble, W. E. Detwiler, and W. B. Cox.

Alternates: J. C. Reeser, J. F. Dunlap, C. L. Sones, S. P. Remer, and N. Young.

Lay Delegates: E. S. Hengst, B. S. Sentz, H. A. Lackey, H. M. Strahley, Hon. C. A. Shaffer, W. W. Musser, John L. Pandel, H. D. Krape, H. W. Shaffer, and J. C. Newcomer.

Alternates: J. E. Detwiler, J. W. Slothower, E. E. Douty, Chas. M. Ingram, and John Stamm.

Delegates, 1918: C. L. Sones, W. B. Cox, M. I. Jamison, M. F. Fosselman, J. F. Dunlap, John D. Shortess, E. Crumbling, J. C. Reeser, J. A. Hollenbaugh, and A. E. Gobble.

Alternates: H. A. Benfer, N. Young, W. J. Campbell, A. A. Winter, and I. E. Spangler.

Lay Delegates: J. P. Condo, J. A. Bull, Ira F. Zeigler, M. W. Slyder, H. D. Krape, John L. Pandel, Chas. A. Shaffer, E. J. Arner, J. C. Winter, and J. C. Newcomer.

Alternates: D. F. Able, W. W. Moore, A. B. Lee, H. W. Shaffer, and L. B. Lau.

Delegates, 1922: I. E. Spangler, J. F. Dunlap, W. J. Campbell, C. L. Sones, John D. Shortess, E. Crumbling, W. B. Cox, J. W. Thompson, A. A. Winter, C. I. Raffensperger, and A. F. Weaver.

Alternates: H. A. Benfer, C. W. Finkbinder, W. J. Dice, and S. P. Remer.

Lay Delegates: B. S. Sentz, E. S. Hengst, J. F. Miller, John L. Pandel, I. F. Zeigler, H. C. Graybill, Hon. C. A. Shaffer, Hon. F. L. Dershem, J. C. Newcomer, H. W. Shaffer, and J. C. Winter.

Alternates: A. B. Lee, L. B. Lau, Wilson Kiess, J. W. Slothower, and J. P. Van Ostrand.

Delegates, 1926: J. W. Thompson, I. E. Spangler, W. B. Cox, W. J. Campbell, John D. Shortess, A. F. Weaver, A. A. Winter, W. J. Dice, C. I. Raffensperger, E. Crumbling, A. D. Gramley.

Alternates: W. E. Peffley, E. C. Basom, and S. E. Koontz.

Lay Delegates: J. C. Winter, Hon. C. A. Shaffer, E. S. Hengst, John L. Pandel, H. W. Shaffer, J. C. Newcomer, Ed Etzwiler, J. W. Hornberger, R. E. Strobeck, H. A. Lackey, and W. J. Woods.

Alternates: Prof. John W. Gilmore, I. F. Zeigler, and J. B. Van Ostrand.

Delegates, 1930: A. F. Weaver, J. W. Thompson, W. B. Cox, John D. Shortess, I. E. Spangler, W. J. Dice, W. E. Peffley, C. I. Raffensperger, A. A. Winter, A. D. Gramley, and G. C. Gabriel.

Alternates: C. W. Guintier, E. C. Basom, and J. H. Fleckenstine.

Lay Delegates: John L. Pandel, Hon. C. A. Shaffer, J. C. Winter, H. W. Shaffer, W. J. Woods, Herman A. Ebert, Edward Etzwiler,

Hon. F. L. Dershem, H. A. Lackey, J. C. Newcomer, and E. S. Hengst.

Alternates: W. F. Snelbaker, J. W. Hornberger, and Prof. John W. Gilmore.

Delegates, 1934: A. F. Weaver, E. C. Basom, W. J. Dice, J. H. Fleckenstine, J. W. Thompson, G. C. Gabriel, W. B. Cox, W. E. Peffley, Norman L. Hummel, Lyman M. Dice, and C. W. Guintier.

Alternates: F. E. Remaly, A. A. Winter, John D. Shortess, and H. D. Hill.

Lay Delegates: Edward Etzwiler, W. J. Woods, J. Boyd Trostle, Herman A. Ebert, H. W. Shaffer, Hon. Chas. A. Shaffer, John L. Pandel, J. Briton Winter, Prof. John W. Gilmore, H. A. Lackey, and W. F. Snelbaker.

Alternates: Fred H. Breining, Hon. F. L. Dershem, J. A. Neff, and W. J. R. Rein.

Delegates, 1938: A. F. Weaver, E. C. Basom, W. J. Dice, Norman L. Hummel, G. C. Gabriel, J. H. Fleckenstine, F. E. Remaly, Frank H. Sanders, J. W. Thompson, C. W. Guintier, and W. E. Peffley.

Alternates: A. A. Winter, J. W. Kreckler, Homer W. Heisley, and H. D. Hill.

Lay Delegates: J. Boyd Trostle, Herman A. Ebert, W. J. Woods, John L. Pandel, J. Briton Winter, W. F. Snelbaker, Paul G. Gilmore, H. W. Shaffer, Hon. F. L. Dershem, C. R. Harer, and W. J. R. Rein.

Alternates: Paul Billet, F. H. Breining, J. C. Winter, and H. R. Kline.

CHAPTER VI

MINISTERIAL ROSTER

The following list of ministers and their appointments includes the names of the present members of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, March 9, 1939.

BABCOCK, ROYAL ANSO—Licensed, 1930, Williamsport (First); Cearfoss, 1930-34; Bryansville, 1934-37; Rebersburg, 1937-39.

BAILEY, CHARLES CARROLL—Licensed, 1918, Jersey Shore; York (Christ), 1918-25; Milton, 1925-27; With Dan. A. Poling at Marble Collegiate church, New York City, 1927-29; Baltimore (Faith), 1929-39; Lemoyne, 1939.

BAILEY, IRWIN CORNELIUS—Licensed, 1910, Williamsport (St. John); York (Princess Street), 1910-12; Bryansville, 1912-16; Salladasburg, 1916-19; Spring Mills, 1919-22; Lewisberry, 1922-28; Alberton, 1928-32; Windsor, 1932-37; Hummels Wharf, 1937-39.

BAILEY, IRWIN CORNELIUS, JR.—Licensed at York (Christ), in 1934; Ransom, 1937-39.

BAKER, IRVING K.—Licensed, 1908, Berwick (Memorial); Mt. Holly Springs, 1908-10; Bloersville, 1910-14; Loganville, 1914-19; Mexico, 1919-21; Wellsville, 1921-26; Rebersburg, 1926-29; Felton, 1929-36; Winfield, 1936-39.

BANKES, C. H.—Licensed, 1920 at Williamsport (First); Penns Creek, 1920-21; Buffalo Circuit, 1921-23; Freemont, 1923-25; Pennsdale, 1925-27; caretaker at Central Oak Heights; Morgan, 1933-34; located, 1934.

BARTGES, LEE W.—Licensed at Wrightsville in 1929; Junior colleague at Grover and East Point, 1929-34; Morgan, 1934-36; Cearfoss, 1936-38; Warrensburg, 1936-39.

BARTGES, WOODROW—Licensed at Milton, 1932; Keystone-Perry, 1936-38; Nescopeck, 1938-39.

BASOM, EDWARD CHARLES—Licensed, 1900 at Williamsport (First); Big Spring, 1900-01; Emigsville and Manchester, 1901-02; Oregon Conference, 1902-05; Mifflinburg, 1905-08; West Nanticoke, 1908-09; York (Bethany), 1909-13; Hagerstown, 1913-17; Williamsport (St. John), 1917-22; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1922-26; Red Lion, 1926-31; York District, D. S., 1931-35; Lewisburg District, D. S., 1935-39; Lewisburg, 1939.

BASOM, WILLIAM E.—Licensed in 1934, York (Christ); Penns Creek, 1936-37; Washington, D. C., 1937-39.

BAUGHMAN, WARREN LEONARD—Licensed, 1927, York (Christ); Dorsey, 1927-31; Berkeley Springs, 1931-36; Columbia Circuit, 1936-39.

BAYNE, ELLIS JAMES—Licensed, 1914 at Berwick (Memorial); Manchester, 1915-18; Bryansville, 1918-22; Craley, 1922-37; Hanover, 1927-33; Lewistown (Grace), 1933-1939; Williamsport (St. John), 1939.

- BENFER, K. L.—Licensed, 1923, York (Trinity); Baltimore (Trinity), 1924-25; Red Lion, 1925-26; medical student at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.
- BIERLY, A. S.—Licensed, —; came into Conference by "Merger," 1923; Freemont, 1925-26.
- BIERLY, W. C.—Licensed, 1888, Lewisburg; Liverpool, 1889-91; Fishing Creek, 1891-1894; Juniata Circuit, 1894-97; Dillsburg, 1897-99; Liberty, 1899-1903; Spring Mills, 1903-05; Millmont, 1905-08; Sugar Valley, 1908-10; located, 1910-12; Unityville, 1912; located, 1913.
- BIGGS, JOSEPH O'NEAL—Licensed, 1893 at Milton; Luzerne, 1896-1900; Milton Circuit, 1900-02; Sonestown, 1902-06; Espy, 1906-10; Dallastown, 1910-12; Alberton, 1912-16; Baltimore (Christ), 1916-21; East Prospect, 1921-22; Williamsport (St. John), 1922-26; Hagerstown, 1926-30; York (St. Paul), 1930-31; Enola, 1931-39.
- BINGMAN, JACOB FREDERICK—Licensed, 1904 at York (Trinity); Milton Circuit, 1905-09; Nittany Valley, 1909-11; Rebersburg, 1911-15; Howard, 1915-19; Millmont, 1919-20; Centre Hall, 1920-25; Cumberland Circuit, 1925-29; Loganville, 1929-33; Ringtown, 1933-37; Mexico, 1937-39.
- BOWER, K. I.—Licensed, 1935; Salladasburg, 1938.
- BRINER, LEWIS—Licensed, 1937.
- BRININGER, H. L.—Licensed, 1932, Milton; Mount Holly Springs, 1935-39. Director, Public Relations, Albright College, 1939.
- BUCK, H. MERWYN—Licensed, 1917 at East Prospect; Enola, 1918-23; East Prospect, 1923-28; Carlisle, 1928-33; Berwick (Memorial), 1933-39; Williamsport (First), 1939.
- BURGETT, G. S.—Licensed, 1920 at Williamsport (First); missionary to Kentucky in 1926-39.
- CAMPBELL, ARTHUR WARD—Licensed, 1915 at Carlisle; Unityville, 1915-17; Sonestown, 1917-20; Dushore, 1920-24; Bloomsburg, 1924-29; Bellefonte, 1929-34; Altoona (Grace), 1934-39.
- CONFER, E. I.—Licensed at York (Trinity), 1901; Millmont, 1903-04; located, 1905; Lewistown and Burnham, 1908; located, 1910.
- CORLE, JONATHAN ABRAHAM—Licensed, 1923 at York (Trinity); Port Treverton, 1924-26; Perry Circuit, 1926-31; Ransom, 1931-35; Espy, 1935-38; Lock Haven Mission, 1938-39.
- COX, W. B.—Licensed, 1892 at Williamsport (First); Lewistown, 1892-94; Mifflin, 1894-95; Glen Rock, 1895-97; Williamsport (St. John), 1897-1901; Baltimore (Grace), 1901-02; York (St. Paul), 1902-04; Bellefonte, 1904-08; Altoona (First), 1908-09; Lemoyne, 1909-11; Berwick (West), 1911-12; Berwick (Memorial), 1912-15; Jersey Shore, 1915-18; Supt. Carlisle District, 1918-22; Mechanicsburg, 1922-24; Milton, 1924-25; Supt. Williamsport District, 1925-31; executive secretary of the Church Extension Society of the Evangelical Church, 1931-35; superannuated, 1935.
- CRAUL, J. I.—Licensed at Lewisburg, 1899; Dorsey, 1899-1901; Harford, 1901-04; Leesburg, 1904-06; superannuated, 1906.
- CRUMBLING, EDWARD—Licensed, 1877 at Glen Rock; junior preacher, Baltimore Circuit, 1878-80; Alberton, 1880-82; Glen Rock, 1882-85; York-

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- ana, 1885-88; Berwick, 1888-91; Lewisburg, 1891-94; York (Trinity), 1894-98; Supt. Williamsport District, 1898-1902; Supt. Centre District, 1902-06; Williamsport (First), 1906-10; Lock Haven, 1910-14; Lewisburg, 1914-19; Lemoyne, 1919-23; Lock Haven, 1923-27; Williamsport (Trinity), 1927-30; superannuated, 1930.
- DAUBERMAN, JOHN FRANKLIN—Licensed, 1919 at Baltimore Memorial; Wapwallopen, 1919-23; East Point, 1923-26; Morgan Mission, 1926-33; Lewisberry, 1933-38; Craley, 1938-39.
- DAUBERT, RAY SIGNOR—Licensed, 1906 at Milton; Luzerne Circuit, 1908-11; Nittany Circuit, 1911-13; Liverpool, 1913-15; Lock Haven Mission, 1915-20; Juniata, 1920-23; West Milton, 1923-24; Avis, 1924-30; Hagerstown, 1930-39; Danville, 1939.
- DAYTON, MANVILLE W.—Licensed at East Prospect, 1917; Liverpool, 1919-20; South Wayland, 1920-21; Pennsdale, 1921-24; Lopez, 1924-26; Spring Mills, 1926-28; McClure, 1928-32; Wellsville, 1932-35; Ransom, 1935-1937; Avis, 1937-39; supply, 1939.
- DE WIRE, HARRY—Licensed at Lemoyne, 1935; Baltimore (St. John), 1936-39.
- DICE, LYMAN MARTIN—Licensed, 1896, Williamsport (St. John); Liberty, 1896-99; Grover, 1899-1901; Wayland, 1901-1905; Williamsport (St. John), 1905-09; Nescopeck, 1909-13; Mechanicsburg, 1913-17; Hagerstown, 1917-22; Jersey Shore, 1922-24; Marysville, 1924-29; Lewistown (Trinity), 1929-34; Williamsport (Grace), 1934-38; superannuated, 1938.
- DICE, WALTER JONATHAN—Licensed, 1898 at Hughsville; Newport, 1898-99; Milesburg, 1899-1900; Liverpool, 1900-03; East Point, 1903-06; Warrensville, 1906-10; Millheim, 1910-14; Bloomsburg, 1914-19; Baltimore (Bethany), 1919-24; Lewisburg, 1924-31; Supt. Williamsport District, 1931-39; Hagerstown, 1939.
- DICK, ROY H.—Licensed, 1914 at Berwick (Memorial); Mount Rock, 1915-20; Bellwood, 1920-23; Scranton, 1923-28; Baltimore (Walbrook), 1928-32; Glen Rock, 1932-39; Hanover, 1939.
- DIEHL, JEROME FRANKLIN—Licensed in 1930 at Williamsport (First); Manchester and Yorkshire, 1931-35; Williamsport Circuit, 1935-39; Glen Rock, 1939.
- DUBS, NOAH J.—Licensed, 1895 at York (Trinity); Spring Mills, 1896-97; Dorsey, 1897-99; Rebersburg, 1899-1902; Penns Creek, 1902-06; located, 1906-08; Bellefonte Circuit, 1909-10; Millmont, 1910-14; Mexico, 1914-19; Mifflinburg, 1919-26; Hummels Wharf, 1926-31; superannuated, 1931.
- DUNLAP, IRVING RAY—Licensed, 1908 by the Illinois Conference at Peotone; Dearfield, 1908 in part; Dixon, 1908-09 in part; missionary to China, 1908-33; Baltimore (Immanuel), 1933-36; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1936-39.
- DUNLAP, JOHN FRANCIS—Licensed in 1888 by the Illinois Conference at Elgin; junior colleague on Columbia Circuit, 1889-90; West Clifford, 1890-91; Danville, 1891-93; Nescopeck, 1893-96; Marysville, 1896-97; Lewisburg, 1897-1901; Lock Haven, 1901-04; Williamsport (First), 1904-06;

- Williamsport District, 1906-10; President Albright College, 1909-15; York District, 1915-19; Lewisburg District, 1919-23; Bishop, 1922-34; superannuated, 1935.
- ENTZ, HERBERT SAMUEL—Licensed, 1928 at Berwick (Memorial); West Nanticoke, 1928-30; Columbia Circuit, 1930-36; Felton, 1936-39.
- FLECKENSTINE, JAY HUDSON—Licensed, 1910 at Williamsport (St. John), Bellefonte Circuit, 1912-13; Avis, 1913-17; Lewistown (Trinity), 1917-19; Hummels Wharf, 1919-23; Berwick (North), 1923-27; Williamsport, 1927-34; Lewisburg, 1934-39; York (Trinity), 1939.
- FLICK, H. L.—Licensed, 1915, Carlisle; Mount Rock, 1920-22; located, 1922-26; York (Bethany), 1926-28; located, 1928-39.
- FOSS, FRANK HERBERT—Licensed, 1894 at East Prospect; Bernice and Lopez, 1894-95; Milton Circuit, 1895-96; West Clifford, 1896-98; Felton, 1898-1901; New Freedom, 1901-1905; Liverpool, 1905-1909; Columbia, 1909-13; Centre Hall, 1913-18; Loganton, 1918-19; Howard, 1919-23; Bellwood, 1923-27; Leesburg, 1927-34; Mt. Rock, 1934-39; superannuated, 1939.
- FREAS, ROY LOUIS—Licensed, 1924 at Milton; Williamsport Circuit, 1926-28; Warrensville, 1928-30; Buffalo Valley, 1930-34; West Nanticoke, 1934-36; Sugar Valley, 1936-39.
- FREY, GEORGE WASHINGTON—Licensed, 1906 at Milton; Bellefonte Circuit, 1906-09; West Nanticoke, 1909-10; Penns Creek, 1910-14; Bloersville, 1914-17; Idaville, 1917-22; Bryansville, 1922-25; Hanover Circuit, 1925-27; Liverpool, 1927-31; Espy, 1931-35; Yoe, 1935-37; Manchester, 1937-38; Lewisberry, 1938-39.
- FREY, G. W., JR.—Licensed, 1932 at Milton; Hanover Mission, 1935-37; Bryansville, 1937-39; York (Bethlehem), 1939.
- FUHRMAN, IRA CLAYTON—Licensed, 1916 at York (St. Paul); Good Will, 1916-17; Unityville, 1917-18; Grover, 1918-23; Millmont, 1923-28; Craley, 1928-34; Cearfoss, 1934-36; Berkeley Springs, 1936-39.
- FUHRMAN, LESTER ALLEN—Licensed, 1908 at Berwick (Memorial); Wellsville, 1909-10; Bryansville, 1910-11; Mt. Rock, 1911-15; Marysville, 1915-18; Columbia Circuit, 1918-23; Ransom, 1923-Sept., 1928; Scranton, September, 1928-30; Hebbville, 1930-31; Sugar Valley, 1931-36; Middleburg, 1936-39; Newport, 1939.
- GABRIEL, GROVER CLEVELAND—Licensed, 1909 at Lewistown (Grace); Enola, 1909-1913; York (Bethany), 1913-17; Baltimore (Grace), 1917-22; Wrightsville, 1922-26; Williamsport (St. John), 1926-31; Red Lion, 1931-39; Superintendent Lewisburg District, 1939.
- GRAMLEY, A. D.—Licensed, 1895 at York (Trinity); Cumberland Circuit, 1895-97; Penns Creek, 1897-98; Bellwood, 1898-1900; McClure, 1900-04; Loganville, 1904-1908; East Prospect, 1908-12; Baltimore (Christ), 1912-16; York (Christ), 1916-18; Williamsport (First), 1918-25; York (Trinity), 1925-32; Milton, 1932-36; superannuated, 1936-37; Marysville, 1937-39.
- GROVE, WATSON EDWARD—Licensed, 1926 at Jersey Shore; Nittany, 1926-28; Williamsport Circuit, 1928-35; Penns Creek, 1935-39.

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- GUINTER, CLARENCE WALTER—Licensed, 1897 at Carlisle; Steuben, 1897-1900; student, Albright College, 1900-06; African Mission, 1906-29; deputation work, 1929-31; Northumberland, 1931-34; Wrightsville, 1934-39.
- GUNTHER, CARL FREDERICK—Licensed, 1929 at Wrightsville; Selinsgrove, 1930-32; Scranton, 1932-34; Dushore, 1934-39.
- GUTHRIE, HIRAM C.—Licensed, 1900 at Williamsport; Steuben, 1900-04; Lycoming, 1904-08; White Deer, 1908-12; Nuremburg, 1912-16; Northumberland, 1916-18; Felton, 1918-22; Mifflin, 1922-25; superannuated, 1925.
- HEISER, BEN FRANKLIN—Licensed, 1927 by East Pa. Conference; Bellwood, 1930-33; White Deer, 1933-38; Hebbville, 1938-39.
- HEISLEY, HOMER WILLIAM—Licensed, 1923 at Williamsport (St. John); Dushore, 1929-32; Lock Haven, 1932-39.
- HERMAN, MARK ARTLEY—Licensed, 1921 at Wrightsville; Rebersburg, 1922-1924; West Milton, 1924-31; Lock Haven Mission, 1931-38; Espy, 1938-39.
- HILL, HARRY DOLMER—Licensed, 1906 at Milton; South Wayland, 1908-12; Grover, 1912-16; Nuremberg, 1916-19; Loganton, 1919-24; Berwick (Memorial), 1924-26; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1926-33; York (Grace), 1933-39.
- HIPPLE, C. W.—Licensed, 1894 at East Prospect; Zion's Grove, 1894-95; Tunkhannock, 1895-96; Bellefonte Circuit, 1896-97; Cumberland Circuit, 1897-98; West Clifford, 1898-99; Waller Circuit, 1899-1900; Craleyville, 1901-04; Hagerstown Circuit, 1904-06; Perry Circuit, 1906-10; Warrensville, 1910-14; Salladasburg, 1914-16; Wellsville, 1916-21; Port Trevorton, 1921-24; McClure, 1924-26; superannuated, 1926.
- HOCH, W. C.—Licensed, 1893 at Milton; Tunkhannock, 1893-1894; Milton Circuit, 1894-95; Spring Mills, 1895-96; Port Trevorton, 1896-98; Good Will, 1898-99; East Prospect, 1899-1902; Felton, 1902-05; Middleburg, 1905-08; Mifflinburg, 1908-12; West Berwick, 1912-15; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1915-16; Glen Rock, 1916-19; West Milton, 1919-23; Hummels Wharf, 1923-26; Hughesville, 1926-30; Windsor, 1930-32; Danville, 1932-34; Marysville, 1934-37; superannuated, 1937.
- HOFFMAN, BENJAMIN GRIFFIN—Licensed, 1916 at York (St. Paul); Keystone, 1916-17; Blosserville, 1917-20; Leesburg, 1920-27; Yorkana, 1927-34; Lycoming, 1934-39.
- HOSTERMAN, WARD KRAPE—Licensed, 1930 at Williamsport (First); Mt. Holly Springs, 1930-35; Centre Hall, 1935-39.
- HOUSEAL, HARRY ALBERT—Licensed, 1927 at York (Christ); Montoursville, 1931-37; Millheim, 1937-39.
- HOWER, JAMES FRANKLIN—Licensed, 1897 at Carlisle; Danville, 1898-1902; Lopez, 1902-05; Dushore, 1905-08; Bellefonte, 1908-12; Scranton, 1912-16; Baltimore, 1916-21; Milton, 1921-24; State College, 1924-27; Glen Rock, 1927-32; Nescopeck, 1932-36; superannuated, 1936.
- HUDDALL, HOWARD—Licensed, 1936; Manchester and Yorkshire, 1938.
- HUFF, FLOYD ARTHUR—Licensed, 1924 at Williamsport (St. John); Centre Hall, 1925-26; Williamsport (Trinity), 1926-27; Buffalo Valley, 1927-30; located, 1931.

- HUMMEL, NORMAN LONG—Licensed, 1908 at Berwick (Memorial); State College, 1917-22; York (Bethany), 1922-26; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1926-32; York (Trinity), 1932-39. Superintendent of Williamsport District, 1939.
- HUSLER, THURMAN REESE—Licensed, 1924 at Williamsport (St. John); Hancock, 1924-25; South Wayland Mission, 1925-27; Howard, 1927-28; Lock Haven Mission, 1928-31; West Milton, 1931-39.
- JACOBS, HARRY HALBERT—Licensed, 1915 at Carlisle; junior preacher, Cumberland Circuit, 1915-16; Keystone Mission, 1919-20; South Wayland, 1920-24; Liberty, 1924-26; Lycoming, 1926-33; Danville, 1933-39; Bellefonte, 1939.
- JARRETT, RALPH McKINLEY—Licensed, 1933 at Lewistown (Grace); Grover and East Point, 1934-39; Williamsport Circuit, 1939.
- JENKINS, A. MORGAN—Licensed, 1910 at Williamsport (St. John); Yoe and Freysville, 1910-13; Felton, 1913-18; Baltimore (Immanuel), March to August, 1918; chaplain U. S. Army, August, 1918 to December, 1919; evangelist, December, 1919 to March, 1920; Mt. Holly Springs, 1920-21; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1921-26; Wrightsville, 1926-28; Altoona (Grace), 1928-33; Jersey Shore, 1933-39.
- JEWELL, C. E.—Licensed, 1910 at Newberry; Lopez, 1915-17; Dushore, 1917-20; located, 1920.
- KAMBLE, W. L.—Licensed, 1910 at Newberry; Grover, 1910-11; East Point, 1911-13; South Wayland, 1913-16; Hagerstown Circuit, 1916-21; Hanover Circuit, 1921-25; Sugar Valley, 1925-26; located, 1926.
- KEAFER, CLAIR ERNEST—Licensed, 1924 by Pittsburgh Conference at Warren, Pennsylvania; Winfield, 1930-36; Northumberland, 1936-39.
- KEEN, PAUL E.—Licensed, 1910 at Newberry; Wrightsville, 1917-22; State College, 1922-24; Professor in English Bible, Albright College, 1924-28; Theological Seminary, Naperville, 1928-39.
- KELLY, WILLIAM H.—Licensed in 1930 at Williamsport (First); Scranton, 1930-33; Hebbville, 1933-38; York (Zion), 1938-39.
- KEPNER, DANIEL L.—Licensed at Berwick in 1891; Millmont, 1891-93; Brush Valley, 1893-96; Dushore, 1896-99; Milton, 1899-1903; Marysville, 1903-05; York (Grace), 1905-08; Red Lion, 1908-11; Williamsport (St. John), 1911-13; Hughesville, 1913-17; Mechanicsburg, 1917-22; Northumberland, 1922-24; superannuated, 1924.
- KLEFFEL, HARRY CHRISTIAN—Licensed in 1911 at York (Trinity); Milton Circuit, 1911-14; Sugar Valley, 1914-18; Ringtown, 1918-25; Millheim, 1925-31; Altoona (First), 1931-39.
- KLINE, LEWIS ELLERMAN—Licensed in 1926 at Reading, East Pa. Conference; East Point, 1927-28; Sonestown, 1928-35; Howard, 1935-39.
- KLINGEMAN, HARRY ALBRIGHT—Licensed by the East Pennsylvania Conference at Shamokin in 1921; York (Zion), 1932-38; Williamsport (Grace), 1938-39.

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- KRECKER, JOSEPH WILLARD—Licensed by the East Pa. Conference in 1922; preached six years previously to admission into the Central Pennsylvania Conference; Williamsport (Grace), 1927-31; York (Christ), 1931-39; Red Lion, 1939.
- KREIDLER, CLAIR C.—Licensed at Williamsport (First) in 1930; Bryansville, 1930-34; Craley, 1934-38; York (Bethlehem), 1938-39; Lewistown (Grace), 1939.
- KURZ, F. A., JR.—Licensed, 1934; Scranton, 1938; Grover and East Point, 1939.
- LEBER, CLAIR—Licensed in 1935 at Lemoyne; Keystone, 1938-39; Bryansville, 1939.
- LOSS, CHARLES RICHARD—Licensed in 1930 at Williamsport (First); Keystone, 1930-33; Mexico, 1933-37; Selinsgrove, 1937-39.
- LOYER, C. H.—Licensed in 1915 at Carlisle; Morgan, 1915-19; Hancock, 1920-23; Berkeley Springs, 1923-24; Columbia, 1924-26; Altoona, 1926-30; located, 1930-33; Bloomsburg, 1933-36; conference evangelist, 1936-39.
- LUNDY, ROBERT LEROY—Licensed in 1927 at York (Christ); Mt. Rock, 1929-34; Buffalo Valley, 1934-39; Mt. Holly Springs, 1939.
- MAICE, GEORGE L.—Licensed in Baltimore (Green Street), 1887; Luzerne, 1888-89; Washingtonville, 1889-91; Juniata, 1891-94; Scranton, 1894-97; Muncy Valley, 1897-98; York Circuit, 1898-1901; Lewisberry, 1901-05; Felton, 1905-09; Brooklyn, Md., 1909-13; Hebbville, 1913-17; Dallastown, 1917-22; Hanover, 1922-27; Burham, 1927-29; superannuated, 1930.
- MANEVAL, H. P.—Licensed in 1914; East Point, 1913-17; Penns Valley, 1917-23; Sugar Valley, 1923-25; Warrensville, 1925-28; East Prospect, 1928-30; Avis, 1930-37; Ringtown, 1937-39.
- MARKLEY, LEWIS PIERE—Licensed in 1920 at Williamsport (First); Berkeley Springs, 1921-1922; Idaville, 1922-25; Bryansville, 1925-30; located in 1930-34; Salladasburg, 1934-39; Sonestown, 1939.
- MARTIN, O. G.—Licensed in 1914 at Berwick (Bower Memorial), session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and received as supernumerary deacon.
- MAYS, JOHN BENTON—Licensed in 1910 at Williamsport (St. John); Harford, 1910-14; Warrensville, 1914-19; White Deer, 1919-26; Jersey Shore, 1926-33; Hanover, 1933-34; Bellefonte, 1934-39; Williamsport (Trinity), 1939.
- McLAUGHLIN, JARRETT BURR—Licensed in 1906 at Milton; Goodwill, 1906-09; Rebersburg, 1909-11; Pennsdale, 1911-1915; Ransom, 1915-20; Lycoming, 1920-27; Enola, 1927-31; Dallastown, 1931-35; Manchester, 1935-36; West Nanticoke, 1936-39.
- MERGENTHALER, GUY R.—Licensed in 1915 at Carlisle; Windsor, 1922-27; Lock Haven, 1927-32; Dushore, 1932-34; located, 1934.
- MILLER, GEORGE L.—Licensed in 1933 at Lewistown (Grace); Penns Creek, 1937-38; Cearfoss, 1938-39.
- MILLER, JOSEPH H.—Licensed, 1928 at Berwick (Memorial); Yoe, 1928-31; Baltimore (St. John), 1931-36; York (St. Paul), 1936-39.

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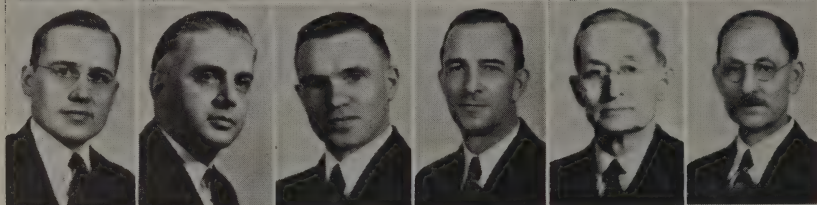
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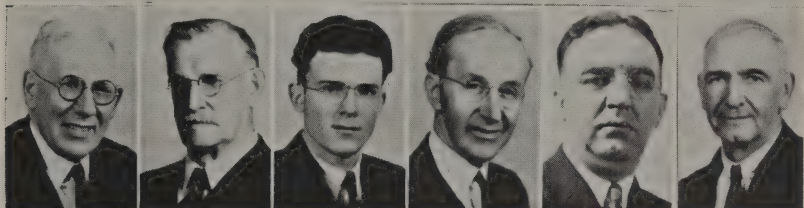
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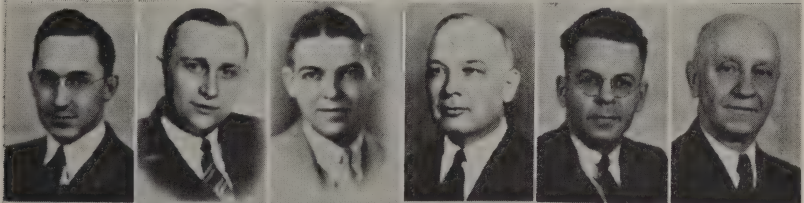
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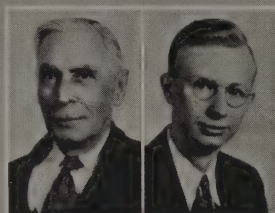
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D.F. YOUNG

J.W. ZANG

- MILLER, L. A.—Licensed, 1908 at Berwick (Memorial); Hagerstown Circuit, 1908-11; Wellsville, 1911-16; Spring Mills, 1916-19; Salladasburg, 1919-24; Grover, 1924-26; Port Trevorton, 1926-28, located, 1928.
- MILLER, LEONARD M.—Licensed at East Prospect in 1917.
- MILLER, PAUL M.—Licensed at Carlisle, 1931; Liverpool, 1931-32; Rebersburg, 1932-35; Sonestown, 1935-39; Avis, 1939.
- MILLER, VERNON E.—Licensed, 1930 at Williamsport (First); Baltimore (St. Matthew), 1930-39; Baltimore (Faith), 1939.
- MINSKER, HARRY—Licensed at Lewisburg in 1888; South Williamsport, 1891-92; Dushore, 1892-95; Espy, 1895-98; West Nanticoke, 1898-1902; Nuremberg, 1902-06; Danville, 1906-07; Lock Haven Mission, 1907-11; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1911-15; Baltimore (Bethany), 1915-19; York (Grace), 1919-26; Baltimore (Grace), 1926-29; Marysville, 1929-34; Yorkana, 1934-35; Dallastown and Bittersville, 1935-36; Dallastown and Yoe, 1936-39; superannuated, 1939.
- MIZENER, CALVIN CRAWFORD—Licensed at Williamsport (First) in 1900; Mifflinburg, 1901-05; Wayland, 1905-09; Grover, 1909-12; White Deer, 1912-16; Alberton, 1916-19; Hughesville, 1919-23; Altoona (Grace), 1923-28; Wrightsville, 1928-34; State College, 1934-35; Berwick (St. Paul), 1935-39.
- MOORE, BENJAMIN LUTHER—Licensed at Red Lion in 1901; Big Springs, 1901-02; Juniata, 1902-04; Mt. Holly Springs, 1904-08; Hellam, 1908-10; Mechanicsburg, 1910-13; Enola, 1913-18; superannuated, 1918-22; Mt. Rock, 1922-26; Wellsville, 1926-32; Cumberland, 1932-39; Dallas-town, 1939.
- MOYER, FRANK H.—Licensed at Wrightesville, 1921; West Nanticoke, 1921-27; Liberty, 1927-28; located, 1928.
- MOYER, IVAN WILLARD—Licensed, 1926 at Jersey Shore; Salladasburg, 1926-28; Montoursville, 1928-31; Berwick (St. Paul), 1931-35; Mechanicsburg, 1935-39.
- MUMEY, SOLOMON S.—Licensed in 1888 at Lewisburg; Muncy Valley, 1889-91; Luzerne, 1891-93; Danville, 1893-95; West Nanticoke, 1895-98; Espy, 1898-1902; West Nanticoke, 1902-03; Mifflin, 1903-05; Hughesville, 1905-09; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1909-10; Oregon Conference, 1910-21; Superintendent of Orphanage, Lewisburg, 1921-24; Northumberland, 1924-28; Bellefonte, 1928-29; Bloomsburg, 1924-33; Hummels Wharf, 1933-37; Hughesville, 1937-38; superannuated, 1938.
- NESS, CLINTON R.—Licensed in 1919 at Baltimore (Memorial); Charlton, East Pa. Conference, 1920-21; Yoe, 1921-28; York (Bethany), 1928-35; Berwick (North), 1935-39.
- NEWCOMER, J. ELMER—Licensed in 1906 at Milton; Keystone, 1910-14; Hanover Circuit, 1914-18; Leesburg, 1918-20; Liverpool, 1920-28; Lewisberry, 1928-33; superannuated, 1933.
- O'DONNELL, WILLIAM—Licensed in 1918 at Jersey Shore; Scranton, 1918-23; York (St. Paul), 1923-27; Winfield, 1927-30; Middleburg, 1930-36; Nescopeck, 1936-38; superannuated, 1938.

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- PAULHAMUS, ALFRED C.—Licensed, 1914 at Berwick (Memorial); Dewart, 1914-16; West Nanticoke, 1916-21; Middleburg, 1921-28; Loganton, 1928-31; Millheim, 1931-37; Bloomsburg, 1937-39.
- PEFFLEY, WILLIAM EDWIN—Licensed, 1899 at Lewisburg; Millmont, 1902-1903; York (Zion), 1903-07; Scranton, 1907-11; Juniata, Altoona, (Grace), 1911-15; Lewistown (Grace), 1915-16; assistant editor S. S. Literature, 1915-22; editor, 1922-19—
- PEWTERBAUGH, CHESTER DAVID—Licensed, 1909 at Lewistown; Liberty, 1909-13; Cumberland, 1913-18; Marysville, 1918-24; Altoona (First), 1924-27; Nescopeck, 1927-32; East Prospect, 1932-39.
- PRICE, JOHN MOYER—Licensed in 1898 at Hughesville; Penns Creek, 1898-99; college student, 1899-1900; Mexico, 1900-02; Hanover Circuit, 1902-05; Wellsville, 1905-06; Leesburg, 1906-09; Unityville, 1909-10; Buffalo Valley, 1910-12; Spring Mills, 1912-1916; Espy, 1916-18; Penns Creek, 1918-19; McClure, 1919-24; Warrensville, 1924-25; Hellam, 1925-28; Mt. Holly Springs, 1928 to September; caretaker at Central Oak Heights to 1931; superannuated, 1931.
- RAFFENSPERGER, CHARLES IRVING—Licensed in 1900 at Williamsport (First); 1899-1900, Perry Circuit under the Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, 1900-02; Cherry Run Mission was added to Hagerstown Circuit, 1902-04 as Cearfoss charge; Newport, 1904-05; Hellam, 1905-08; Mt. Holly Springs, 1908-09; Baltimore (Grace), 1909-13; Williamsport (First), 1913-18; Berwick (Memorial), 1918-23; Presiding Elder Williamsport District, 1923-1925; York (Bethlehem), 1925-30; Winfield, 1930, three months and superannuated.
- RAFFENSPERGER, JOHN G.—Licensed in 1920 at Williamsport (First).
- REED, JAMES P.—Licensed, 1937; Mount Rock, 1939.
- REESER, GEORGE LEROY—Licensed in 1913 at Lewisburg; Unityville, 1913-15; Columbia Circuit, 1915-18; Hanover Circuit, 1918-21; Yorkana, 1921-27; Hebbville, 1927-30; Mifflinburg, 1930-39.
- REMAY, FRANCIS EMERSON—Licensed, 1916 at York (St. Paul); Wapwallopen, 1916-18; Lopez, 1918-22; Baltimore (Grace), 1922-26; Berwick (Memorial), 1926-33; Carlisle, 1933-39.
- ROHRBAUGH, JAMES FRANKLIN—Licensed in 1910 at Williamsport (St. John); West Nanticoke, 1912-16; Sonestown, 1916-17; Craley, 1917-22; Felton, 1922-29; Ringtown, 1929-33; Hellam, 1933-38; Leesburg, 1938-39.
- ROSENBERGER, J. H.—Licensed in 1909; Sugar Valley, 1909-13; Lehighton, 1913-17; Tamaqua, 1917-22; Williamsport (Market St.), 1922-23; Enola, 1923-27; New Freedom, 1927-32; Alberton, 1932-39.
- RUTH, ADAM C.—Licensed in 1924 at Perkasio Grove; assistant to E. E. Haney, 1928; State College, 1928-34; Hanover (Grace), 1934-39; York, (Christ), 1939.
- SANDERS, FRANK HAVEN—Licensed, 1913 at Lewisburg; Leesburg, 1913-18; Cumberland, 1918-25; York (Christ), 1925-31; Williamsport (St. John), 1931-39; superintendent Evangelical Homes, Lewisburg, 1939.

- SCHECHTERLY, JOHN RAYMOND—Licensed in 1908 at Berwick; Berwick (West), September, 1910-11; Lopez, 1911-12; Sonestown, 1912-16; Buffalo Valley, 1916-21; Danville, 1921-25; Ringtown, 1925-29; Rebersburg, 1929-32; McClure, 1932-39.
- SCHNABEL, GEORGE E.—Licensed in 1917 by the East Pa. Conference at Allentown; West Lawn, East Pa. Conference, 1915-17; Syracuse, New York Conference, 1917-26; Washington, D. C., 1926-39.
- SHAMBAUGH, WILLIAM IRA—Licensed in 1896 at Millheim; York (Zion), 1900-03; Scranton, 1903-07; Milton, 1907-08; missionary to China, 1908-27; Lemoyne, 1927-32; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1932-36; Milton, 1936-39.
- SHANK, C. B.—Licensed, Lewistown (Grace), 1909; Lewistown (Trinity), 1915-17; Lopez, 1917-18; West Milton, 1918-19; Nuremberg, 1919-20; Rebersburg, 1920-22; located until 1925; Hancock, 1925-27; located, 1927.
- SHEARER, I. C.—Licensed at Carlisle in 1907; Bellefonte Circuit, 1910-12; Northumberland, 1912-16; Dushore, 1916-17; York (Bethany), 1917-22; East Prospect, 1922-23; Newport, 1923-29; supernumerary, 1929.
- SHEESLEY, J. P.—Licensed in 1921 by the Pittsburgh Conference; Indiana and Westover Mission, 1921-22; Berkeley Springs, 1922-24; Morgan Mission, 1924-26; Cearfoss, 1926-28; Port Treverton, 1928-33; Keystone and Perry, 1933-38; supply, 1938-39.
- SHORT, SAMUEL M.—Licensed by the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1908; in 1914 he went to China as an educational missionary and served until 1921; District Superintendent, Anti-Saloon League of Pennsylvania, 1923 until he became superintendent of public schools of Juniata County, 1933-39.
- SHORTESS, JOHN DAVID—Licensed, 1881 at Lock Haven; Center Circuit, 1882-83; McClure, 1883-85; Lewisberry, 1885-88; Chanceford, 1888-90; Dushore, 1890-92; Buffalo Valley, 1892-95; Patterson, 1895-97; Hughesville, 1897-1902; Millheim, 1902-03; Milton, 1903-07; Carlisle District Superintendent, 1907-11; Lewisburg District, 1911-15; York (Grace), 1915-19; Lewisburg, 1919-24; Mechanicsburg, 1924-31; Field Secretary of the Evangelical Homes, Lewisburg, 1931-33; superannuated, 1933.
- SITES, H. R.—Licensed, 1934 at York (Christ); Keystone and Perry, 1938-39.
- SMELTZER, DANIEL PHILIP—Licensed at East Prospect in 1917; Harford, 1917-20; Cearfoss, 1920-22; Perry Circuit, 1922-26; Sonestown, 1926-28; Salladasburg, 1928-34; Leesburg, 1934-38; Hellam, 1938-39.
- SMELTZER, WILLIAM NATHANAEL—Licensed in 1930 at Williamsport (First); Williamsport (Trinity), 1930-31; Yoe, 1931-35; Yorkana, 1935-39; Middleburg, 1939.
- SMITH, RALPH—Licensed in 1906 at Milton; Wellsville, 1906-10; Sugar Valley, 1910-14; Millmont, 1914-19; Hebbville, 1919-24; Manchester, 1924-31; Dorsey, 1931-39.
- SMITH, WALTER EARL—Licensed in 1902 at Akron, Ohio; served until he was appointed to Dorsey, 1905-06; Dillsburg, 1906-07; Pennsdale, 1907-10; Milton Circuit, 1910-11; Ransom, 1911-15; Perry, 1915-20;

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- Williamsport Circuit, 1920-26; Center Hall, 1926-33; Loganville, 1933-39; Buffalo Valley, 1939.
- SNOOK, HARVEY A.—Licensed in 1897 at Carlisle; Iowa Conference, Red Oak, 1897-98; Winterset, 1898-99; located, 1899-1904; Blossville, 1905-06; Nittany, 1906-08; Spring Mills, 1908-12; Hagerstown Circuit, 1912-16; Hanover, 1916-20; Winfield, 1920-27; Danville, 1927-32; Selinsgrove, 1932-37; Windsor, 1937-39.
- SNYDER, SAMUEL ABRAHAM—Licensed, 1898 at Hughesville; Felton, 1901-02; Bryansville, 1902-05; Rebersburg, 1905-09; Center Hall, 1909-13; Middleburg, 1913-18; Hellam, 1918-24; Baltimore (Bethany), 1924-29; Berwick (St. Paul), 1929-31; Lewistown (Grace), 1931-33; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1933-39.
- SNYDER, SAMUEL A., JR.—Licensed in 1931 at Carlisle; junior preacher at Jersey Shore, 1935-36; Bloomsburg, 1936-37; Montoursville, 1937-39.
- SPEAKE, GEORGE W.—Licensed in Williamsport (St. John), 1924; Baltimore (Immanuel), 1924-32; Mifflin, 1932-36; Baltimore (Immanuel), 1936-39.
- SPRINGMAN, HAROLD FREDERICK—Licensed, 1928 at Berwick (Memorial); East Point, June to September, 1928; Ransom, 1928-31; Hummels Wharf, 1931-33; Newport, 1933-39; Cumberland, 1939.
- STABLER, LESTER LEROY—Licensed, 1933, Lewistown (Grace); Scranton, 1935-38; White Deer, 1938-39.
- STABLER, RAYMOND CHARLES—Licensed, 1927 at Buffalo, New York Conference; Liberty, 1927-34; Warrensville, 1934-38; Hughesville, 1938-39.
- STEELY, REED OSCAR—Licensed, 1920 at Williamsport (First); Bellefonte, 1921-28; Milton, 1928-32; Lemoyne, 1932-39; Berwick (Bower Memorial), 1939.
- STETLER, R. H., JR.—Licensed, 1937; Yorkanna, 1939.
- STOCK, DOOR WILLIAM—Licensed, 1920 at Williamsport (First); Berkeley Springs, 1922-24; Dushore, 1924-27; Windsor, 1927-30; Hughesville, 1930-34; Liberty, 1934-39.
- TETER, FRANK L.—Licensed at Hagerstown, 1905; Luzerne, 1906-07; Liberty, 1907-09; Cumberland, 1909-13; Hellam, 1913-18; Wayland, 1918-21; Altoona, 1921-24; Dallastown, 1924-31; Williamsport (Grace), 1931-34; Lewistown (Trinity), 1934-39.
- TETER, LESTER E.—Licensed at East Prospect in 1917; Keystone, 1919-20; Perry, 1920-21; Bryansville, 1922; New Freedom, 1923-25; located, 1926; Cearfoss, 1928-30; Warrensville, 1930-34; Hughesville, 1934-35; Wellsville, 1935-39.
- THOMAS, ALFRED J.—Licensed, 1926 at Jersey Shore; Montoursville, 1926, June to October; 1926-29 at college; Yorkshire, 1929-31; Baltimore (Trinity), 1931-39.
- THOMPSON, JACOB WEISER—Licensed, 1888 at Lewisburg; Howard, 1889-1890; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1890-92; Grover, 1892-94; Wayland, 1894-97; Lock Haven, 1897-1901; Lewisburg, 1901-05; Berwick (Memorial), 1905-08; Harrisburg Publishing House, 1908-11; Carlisle District,

- 1911-14; Williamsport District, 1914-15; York^a (Trinity), 1915-19; Lock Haven, 1919-23; York District, 1923-31; Lewisburg, 1931-34; Williamsport (First), 1934-39; superannuated, 1939.
- VOLGEL, M. R.—Licensed, 1926; Loganville, 1939.
- WALTZ, JACOB W.—Licensed at Baltimore, 1903; Enola, 1908-09; York (Princess Street), 1909-10; located, 1910-13; Wayland, 1913-18; East Prospect, 1918-19; Bloomsburg, 1919-24; superannuated, 1924.
- WARBURTON, W. H.—Licensed at York (Trinity), 1904; West Clifford, 1905-06; West Nanticoke, 1906-07; Spring Mills, 1907-08; Millmont, 1908-10; Salladasburg, 1910-14; Craley, 1914-17; McClure, 1917-19; Lewisberry, 1919-22; Lopez, 1922-24; Rebersburg, 1924-26; New Freedom, 1926-27; Mt. Rock, 1927-29; located, 1929.
- WEAVER, ALBERT FREDERICK—Licensed, 1899 at Lewisburg; Dillsburg, 1899-1902; Mt. Rock, 1902-05; Newport, 1905-08; Milton, 1908-12; Bellefonte, 1912-14; Lock Haven, 1914-19; York (Trinity), 1919-25; Williamsport (First), 1925-27; Lewisburg District, 1927-35; York District, 1935-39.
- WERNER, PAUL AUGUSTUS—Licensed in 1923 by the East Pa. Conference at Bangor, Pa.; Symerton, Illinois, 1926-27; Baltimore (Trinity), 1927-31; Berwick (North), 1931-35; York (Bethany), 1935-39.
- WILKES, HARRY RAY—Licensed in 1902 at Lock Haven; West Nanticoke, 1903-06; Nuremberg, 1906-08; Dushore, 1908-12; Mifflinburg, 1912-15; Berwick, (St. Paul), 1915-20; Baltimore (St. Paul), 1920-24; Baltimore (St. John), 1924-28; York (Grace), 1928-33; Altoona (Grace), 1933-34; Northumberland, 1934-36; Mifflin, 1936-39.
- WOODS, WILLIAM F., JR.—Licensed in 1938 at Newberry; Baltimore (St. Matthew), 1939.
- WOOLERY, E. G.—Licensed in 1913 at Lewisburg; Harford, 1914-16; Bryansville, 1916-18; located, 1918-22; Baltimore (Christ), 1922-24; Hebbville, 1924-27; located, 1927.
- YINGLING, WILLIAM EYSTER—Licensed in 1915 at Carlisle; Keystone, 1917-19; located, 1919-21; Manchester, 1921-24; Lock Haven Mission, 1924-28; Howard, 1928-35; Burnham, 1935-39.
- YOUNG, CARL E.—Licensed in 1930 at Williamsport (First); Scranton, 1934-35; Mt. Holly Springs, 1935-36; Baltimore (Walbrook), 1936-39.
- YOUNG, DAVID F.—Licensed in 1893 at Milton; Sparrows Point, 1893-94; Columbia, 1894-96; Wrightsville, 1896-99; Lopez, 1899-1902; Nescopeck, 1902-06; Baltimore (Grace), 1906-09; Hughesville, 1909-13; Altoona, 1913-16; Lewistown (Grace), 1916-21; Carlisle, 1921-28; Northumberland, 1928-31; Williamsport (Trinity), 1931-39; superannuated, 1939.
- ZANG, JACOB W.—Licensed in 1920 at Williamsport (First); Sonestown, 1920-21; Nittany, 1921-26; New Columbia, 1926-33; Center Hall, 1933-35; State College, 1935-39.

CHAPTER VII

FORMER PASTORS AND THEIR APPOINTMENTS

1840-1938

ALBRIGHT, G. E.—Dorsey, 1909; withdrew.

ALBRIGHT, G. S.—Keystone, 1903-06; Lewisberry, 1907-10; Winfield, 1911-14; East Prospect, 1915-17; York (Princess Street), 1918-21; withdrew, 1922.

ALTHOUSE, HENRY—Lycoming, 1855; York Station, 1856-57; Gettysburg, 1858; Middle Creek, 1859; Center, 1860; Clinton, 1861; Lock Haven, 1862; Center, 1863; York Circuit, 1864-65; Baltimore Circuit, 1866-67; moved west.

ANTHONY, B. F.—Middleburg, 1875; McClure, 1876; Hagerstown, 1877-79; Lewisberry, 1880-81; Jarrettsville, 1882-84; Dillsburg, 1885-86; died, 1886.

ARCHER, J.—Duboisstown, 1874; Glen Rock, 1875; Baltimore Mission, 1876-77; withdrew; moved to Michigan; died, 1881.

ARNSPARGER, C. B.—Emigsville, 1902; withdrew, 1905.

ARTMAN, D. A.—Middleburg, 1890; West Clifford, 1891-92; Espy, 1893-94; Dushore, 1895; Cumberland, 1896-99; Wrightsville, 1900-02; Howard, 1903-04; Mifflin, 1905-08; Hebbville, 1909; Hellam, 1910-12; New Freedom, 1913-15; Bellwood, 1916; Hummels Wharf, 1917-18; Avis, 1919-23; Pennsdale, 1924; Penns Creek, 1925-26; West Nanticoke, 1927-28; died, 1928.

AURAND, C. V. B.—Cumberland, 1885; Middleburg, 1886; Liberty, 1887-89; Spring Mills, 1890-91; local elder, 1892-94; withdrew, 1895; relicensed, 1900; Hanover Circuit, 1900; died, 1901.

AURAND, SIMON—Lycoming, 1856; Cherry, 1857-58; Block House, 1859-60; Gettysburg, 1861-62; Shrewsbury, 1863-64; Perry, 1865-66; Port Trevorton, 1867-68; Center, 1869-70; Troxelville, 1871-72; York (German), 1873-74; York Circuit, 1875-77; York (English), 1878-79; Cumberland, 1880-82; located, 1883; Loganville, 1884-85; Port Trevorton, 1886; Middleburg, 1887-89; Brush Valley, 1890-92; Milesburg, 1893; Zions Grove, 1896-97; Hanover, 1897-99; Centerville, 1900-01; Millmont, 1902-04; located, 1905; died, 1909.

BAILEY, E. B.—Chanceford, 1890-91; York Circuit, 1892; Akron, Ohio, 1893; Baltimore (Grace), 1894-96; Baltimore, (Olive Branch), 1897-1900; located, 1901; Alberton, 1902-04; located, 1905; Manchester, 1906; Bloomsburg, 1907-10; Baltimore (Memorial), 1911-14; Berwick (Bower Memorial), 1915-17; died, July 8, 1917.

BAIR, I. N.—Bryansville, 1893-95; Shrewsbury, 1896-98; Howard, 1899-1902; Millheim, 1903-05; Cumberland, 1906-07; Marysville, 1908-11; Mount Holly, 1912-15; Burnham, 1916; Williamsport (Grace), 1917-21; Espy, 1922-28; superannuated, 1929; died, 1936.

BAIR, J. S.—Liverpool, 1869; located.

BAKER, F. M.—Port Trevorton, 1872; Perry, 1873; Principal of Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., 1874-78; withdrew from the Church.

BAKER, G. G.—Allegheny, 1851; went to Pittsburg Conference.

BARBER, JAMES—Lancaster Circuit, 1817; Somerset, 1818; Lancaster, 1819; York Circuit, 1820; Somerset and Bedford, 1821; Union, 1822; Presiding Elder, Salem District, 1823-26; Center, 1827-28; Union, 1829; Center, 1830; White Deer, 1831; Lycoming, 1832; Franklin, 1833; located, 1834-35; Schuylkill, 1836; Lykens, 1837; Columbia, 1838; Union, 1839; Lycoming, 1840; Center, 1841-42; Union, 1843-44; Buffalo, 1845-46; Mahantango, 1847; Union, 1848; superannuated, 1849; died, 1867.

BARSHINGER, H. B.—Middleburg, 1889; Sugar Valley, 1890; Nittany Valley, 1891; located, 1892; editorial assistant a few years before he died, 1917.

BARTHOLOMEW, M. E.—Nittany, 1908; Mount Rock, 1909-10; Leesburg, 1911-12; Lewisberry, 1913-15; located, 1916; withdrew, 1918.

BASOM, H. S.—Baltimore Circuit, 1877; located to undergo a surgical operation to correct physical deformity, 1876-82; Big Spring, 1883-85; Brush Valley, 1886-87; Jersey Shore Circuit, 1888-90; Williamsport, Newberry, 1891; Lock Haven Circuit, 1892-94; East Prospect, 1895-97; Big Spring, 1898-1901; Wellsville, 1902; Salladasburg, 1903-05; superannuated, 1907; died at Carlisle, Pa., 1910.

BAUMGARDNER, A. S.—Came from the Pittsburgh Conference; Danville, 1885-87; Glen Rock, 1888; Baltimore (Grace), 1889-90; Jarrettsville, 1891-92; York Circuit, 1893; Hagerstown Circuit, 1894-96; Perry, 1897; Newport and Perry, 1898; Buffalo, 1899-1901; Sugar Valley, 1902-03; Warrensville, 1904-05; McClure, 1906-07; New Berlin, 1908; Liverpool, 1909-10; Morgan, 1911-14; located, 1915; died, October 30, 1916.

BEAUMONT, W. L.—Dillsburg Circuit, 1885; West Brooklyn Circuit, 1886-87; Middleburg Circuit, 1888; Spring Mills, 1889; credentials, 1890.

BEAVER, E. M.—Hughesville, 1872; Columbia, 1873; Center Hall, 1874; located.

BENDER, A. J.—Columbia, 1851-52; Blockhouse and Cherry, 1853; went West, and united with M. E. Church.

BENDER, H. W.—Cumberland, 1891; Nittany Valley Circuit, 1892; surrendered his license and withdrew, 1896.

BENFER, H. A.—Middleburg, 1882; Center, 1883; Liverpool, 1884-85; Big Spring, 1886-88; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1889-91; Lock Haven, 1892-95; Williamsport (First), 1896-99; Carlisle, 1900-02; York (Trinity), 1903-06; Presiding Elder York District, 1907-10; Center District, 1911-14; Baltimore (Memorial), 1915-19; Red Lion, 1920-25; died, June 7, 1925.

BENFER, H. A., JR.—Hummels Wharf, 1916; professor in Western Union College, 1917; Army Y. M. C. A. Secretary, 1918; teacher and coach in Albright College, 1919-24; coach Muhlenberg College, 1925; withdrew, 1936.

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- BENNINGTON, S. D.—Loganville, 1859; York Circuit, 1860; Leesburg, 1861; Perry Circuit, 1862; Franklin Circuit, 1863; Hagerstown, 1864; Columbia, 1865-66; Buffalo, 1867-68; Liverpool, 1869-70; Boalsburg, 1871-72; Lycoming, 1873; located, and withdrew from the Church.
- BENTZ, J. W.—Hughesville, 1867; York Circuit, 1868; Big Spring, 1869; Susquehanna, 1870-71; professor in Union Seminary, New Berlin, 1872-79; Port Trevorton, 1880-82; Perry Circuit, 1883-84; Leesburg, 1885-87; Marysville, 1888; Dillsburg, 1889-90; Cumberland, 1891; Hagerstown, 1892-93; York Circuit, 1894-95; located, 1896-97; White Deer, 1898; Milton Circuit, 1899; Bloomsburg, 1900-02; Liverpool, 1903-04; Hanover Circuit, 1905; Dorsey, 1906-08; Harford, 1909; West Nanticoke, 1910; superannuated, 1911; died at Carlisle, Pa., Aug. 3, 1912.
- BERGER, D.—Came from East Pa. Conference; Baltimore (Green Street), 1850-51; returned to East Pa. Conference.
- BERGER, H. C.—Prospect, 1875; Center, 1876; Prospect, 1877; transferred to the Erie Conference.
- BERRY, W. H.—Bedford, 1850; Perry Circuit, 1851; Shrewsbury, 1852; Lycoming, 1853; Blockhouse and Cherry, 1854-55; located, 1856; withdrew.
- BISCHOP, JOHN—Bedford, 1849.
- BIXLER, D. W.—White Deer, 1879; located; went to East Pa. Conference.
- BOAS, JACOB—Indiana Circuit, 1833; Lake Circuit, 1834; Indiana, 1835; Erie Circuit, 1836; Miama Circuit, 1837; sent as a missionary to Illinois where he organized the first circuit of our Church west of Chicago; Canton, 1838; Bedford, 1839; missionary to Baltimore, 1840-41; Cumberland, 1842-43; Gettysburg, 1844-45; Baltimore, 1846; York, 1847; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1848-51; Center District, 1852-55; Baltimore District, 1856; located, 1857-71; Perry Circuit, 1872; located, 1873-77; Jersey Shore, 1878; Center Hall, 1879-80; Big Spring, 1881-82; superannuated, 1883; died at Carlisle, Pa., 1884.
- BOLLINGER, E. S.—Baltimore (Preston Street), 1886-87; Prospect Circuit, 1888; transferred to Oregon Conference, 1889.
- BOLTON, JOHN—Columbia, 1847; Muncy, 1848; Somerset, 1849; Bedford, 1850; Indiana Circuit, 1851; went to Pittsburg Conference.
- BOWER, A. W.—Prospect, 1872; Milton, 1873; Dushore, 1874; located, 1875; York (King Street), 1876; sent to the Pacific Conference; withdrew from Church.
- BOWER, H. S.—Baltimore Circuit, 1872; Middle Creek, 1873; located, 1874-75; Bendersville, 1876; transferred to Kansas Conference.
- BOWER, JACOB—Bedford, 1845; located, 1846.
- BOWER, MOSES—Cumberland, 1840; Virginia Circuit, 1841-42; Gettysburg, 1843; Cumberland, 1844-46; Presiding Elder of Potomac District, 1846; died during this year.
- BOWERSOX, J. F. D.—Nittany Valley Circuit, 1916-18; East Prospect, 1919-20; Baltimore (Christ), 1921; withdrew, 1922.

- BOWERSOX, JOSIAH—Lock Haven, 1863-64; Blockhouse, 1865-66; Lewisburg, 1867-68; York, 1869; went to Pacific Conference and served for many years; died in Portland, Oregon, Jan. 11, 1929; aged, 91 years.
- BOWERSOX, R. C.—Perry Circuit, 1871; Columbia Circuit, 1872; Bloomsburg, 1873-74; Cumberland Circuit, 1875-77; located, 1878; died, 1879.
- BRADER, J. M.—Milton, 1872; Orangeville, 1873-75; White Deer, 1876-78; Canton, 1879; Perry, 1880-81; Danville, 1882-84; Wyoming, 1885-87; Sugar Valley, 1888; Williamsport Circuit, 1889; died, 1889.
- BRESSLER, WM.—Columbia, 1849.
- BRICKLEY, F. E.—Received from the Oregon Conference; Idaville, 1916; Lycoming, 1917-19; located, 1920; withdrew, 1923.
- BRICKLEY, GEORGE—Somerset, 1829; York Circuit, 1830; Franklin, 1831; Lancaster, 1832; Lycoming, 1833-34; Center, 1835; York Circuit, 1836; Columbia, 1837-38; Presiding Elder Salem District, 1839-41; York (Queen Street), 1842-43; Baltimore (Green Street), 1844-45; located, 1846; practiced medicine in York, Pa.; died, 1889.
- BRICKLEY, JOHN—Somerset, 1841-42; Indiana, 1843; moved west.
- BRILLHART, W. E.—Wayland, 1889-90; Liberty, 1891-93; Grover, 1894-95; Bryansville, 1896-97; Port Treverton, 1898-1900; Leesburg, 1901-03; Cumberland, 1904-05; Yoe, 1906-07; Dallastown, 1908; New Freedom, 1909-10; Bryansville, 1911; located, 1912; died, 1917.
- BROADBECK, HENRY—Buffalo, 1856; Center, 1857-58; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1859; located, 1860, and died this year.
- BROWN, J. G.—Buffalo, 1923-25; credentials to Pittsburgh Conference, 1926.
- BROWN, L. D.—Somerset, 1846-47; Clarion, 1848; Venango, 1849; Shenandoah Circuit, 1850-51; went to Pittsburgh Conference; later withdrew.
- BROWN, W. H.—Spring Mills, 1897-1900; Bellefonte, 1901-03; East Prospect, 1904-07; Newport, 1908-09; Lewisburg, 1910-13; Millheim, 1914-17; Burnham, 1918-21; York (Princess Street), 1922; Loganville, 1923-24; died, 1924.
- BROWNMILLER, E. S.—York Circuit, 1873; withdrew from the Church.
- BUCHNER, J. P.—Juniata Circuit, 1889-90; Hanover Circuit, 1891-92; Shrewsbury, 1893-95; withdrew from the Church, 1896.
- BUCK, H. W.—Cumberland, 1864; Lycoming, 1865-66; Hughesville, 1867-68; Buffalo, 1869-70; Columbia, 1871-73; Danville, 1874-75; Glen Rock, 1876-78; Jersey Shore, 1879-81; Berwick, 1882-84; Bloomsburg, 1885-86; Presiding Elder Williamsport District, 1887-90; York District, 1891-94; Lewisburg District, 1895-98; Millheim, 1899-1901; Berwick, 1902-04; New Freedom, 1905-08; superannuated, 1909; died at York, Pa., 1916.
- BUCK, H. W., JR.—Mifflin, 1912-13; York (Zion), 1914-15; Scranton, 1916; withdrew, 1917.
- BUCK, S. T.—Gettysburg, 1860; Buffalo, 1861-62; Center, 1863; Perry, 1864 (served 6 months, enlisted in U. S. Army, and served 10 months);

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- Lycoming, 1865 (served 8 months after returning from army); Wyoming, 1866-67; Williamsport (Market Street), 1868; Williamsport (English), 1869-70; Lock Haven, 1871-73; Newberry, 1874-75; College Agent, 1876; Milton, 1877-78; superannuated, 1879.
- BUCK, THOMAS—Somerset, 1823; Union and Center, 1824; Lancaster, 1825; Schuylkill, 1826; York, 1827; Presiding Elder, Salem District, 1828; Canaan District, 1829-30; Zion District, 1831-32; Canaan District, 1833; located, 1834-36; Schuylkill Circuit, 1837; Presiding Elder, Canaan District, 1838-41; publishing agent, 1842; died, 1842.
- BUCKS, HENRY—York Circuit, 1832; Gettysburg Circuit, 1833; Somerset, 1834; Westover, 1835; Crawford, 1836; Erie Circuit, 1837; Presiding Elder Carmel District, 1838-41; transferred to East Pa. Conference, 1842.
- BURKETT, A. L.—Received from Pittsburgh Conference; Perry, 1903-04; Lewisberry, 1905-06; Sugar Valley, 1907; McClure, 1908-11; Idaville, 1912-14; located, 1915; died, 1919.
- BURSON, G. L.—Big Spring, 1871-72; Hughesville, 1873-74; Luzerne, 1875-77; Wyoming, 1878-79; Kingston, 1880; Dushore, 1881-83; Tunkhannock, 1884-85; located, 1886-87; West Brooklyn, 1888-9-; located, 1892; Williamsport (Grace), 1893; Nickelson, 1894-95; located, 1896; died, 1897.
- CAMPBELL, W. J.—Licensed at York, 1890; Washingtonville, 1891-93; Muncy Valley, 1893-1905; Glen Rock, 1905-09; Altoona, 1909-13; Nescopeck, 1913-17; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1917-19; Williamsport District, 1919-23; Lewisburg District, 1923-27; Berwick (North), 1927-31; York (Bethlehem), 1931-38; superannuated, 1938; died, 1939.
- CARIS, D. C.—With the Evangelical Association; Spring Mills, 1907-09; Penns Valley, 1910-12; Located, 1913; Birdsboro, 1914; Penns Valley, 1915-16; located, 1917-28; Dushore, 1929; died, Aug., 1929.
- CAROTHERS, GEO.—York Circuit, 1875; Big Spring, 1876; located.
- CAROTHERS, M. J.—Bedford, 1846; Somerset, 1847; Perry, 1848-49; Franklin, 1850-51; Shrewsbury, 1852-53; Franklin, 1854-55; Cumberland, 1856-57; supernumerary, 1858; Leesburg, 1860; Shrewsbury, 1861-62; Lock Haven, 1863-64; Center, 1865; New Berlin, 1866-67; Presiding Elder of Center District, 1868-70; Lewisburg District, 1871-74; Williamsport District, 1875-78; York District, 1879; Williamsport (Bennet Street), 1880; conference agent for mission churches, 1881-82; Presiding Elder York District, 1883-86; Lewisburg District, 1887-90; Williamsport District, 1891-94; Hagerstown, 1895; Newville and Shippensburg, 1896; superannuated, 1897; died, 1897.
- CHAMBERLAIN, A. J.—Received from Illinois Conference, 1918; Espy, 1918-21; York (Zion), 1922-25; Lewistown (Trinity), 1926-28; Mt. Holly, 1929; withdrew from the Church, 1930.
- CLAIR, J. W.—Buffalo, 1854; Liverpool, 1855; located, 1856-57; Luzerne, 1858; Franklin, 1859-60; Center, 1861; located, 1862-73; Hagerstown, 1874; Baltimore Mission, 1875; located; died, 1903.
- CONRAD, HIRAM—Lock Haven, 1869; Buffalo, 1870-71; York Circuit, 1872-74; Shrewsbury, 1875; located and moved to Florida.

- COOPER, L. C.—Unityville, 1907-08; Burnham, 1909-12; Bellwood, 1913; credentials to Ohio Conference, 1914.
- COUP, P. W.—Seneca, 1873-74; Hughesville, 1875-76; withdrew.
- COURTER, J. E.—Newberry and Duboistown, 1875-76; Duboistown, 1877; located.
- COX, J. B.—Gettysburg, 1846; located.
- CROMAN, W. M.—Wyoming, 1869; Middle Creek, 1870; Orangeville, 1871-72; located, 1873; Columbia, 1874; Berwick, 1875-76; Shickshinny, 1877; Lewisburg, 1878-80; Carlisle, 1881-82; Baltimore, 1883-84; Baltimore (Grace), 1885; withdrew, 1886; reinstated.
- CROUCH, M. T.—Dorsey, 1893-96; Harford, 1896-97; Bryansville, 1898-1901; Milesburg, 1902; Liberty, 1903-06; Brooklyn, 1907-08; Yorkana, 1909; Perry Circuit, 1910-12; Wapwallopen, 1913-14; superannuated, 1915; died, December 7, 1919.
- CRUMBLING, LINCOLN ELLSWORTH—Licensed 1883, Williamsport (First); York Circuit, 1883-86; Hanover Circuit, 1886-90; Lewisberry, 1890-93; Dillsburg, 1893-97; Leesburg, 1897-1901; Hellam, 1901-05; Marysville, 1905-08; Alberton, 1908-12; East Prospect, 1912-14; York Christ, 1914-16; Mount Holly Springs, 1916-19; Lewistown Trinity, 1919-26; Mexico, 1926-33; superannuated, 1933-38; died, 1938.
- CURRIN, G. W.—Sugar Valley, 1872; Nittany Valley, 1873; Chanceford, 1874; East Prospect, 1875-76; Newport and Patterson, 1877-78; White Deer, 1879-81; Ransom, 1882; Center Hall, 1883-85; Williamsport (Bennet Street), 1886-88; located, 1889-91; Glen Rock, 1892-94; Bloomsburg, 1895-98; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1899-1902; Williamsport (St. John), 1903-06; Williamsport (Grace), 1907-10; Baltimore (Christ), 1911; Williamsport (Grace), 1912-16; located, 1917; died, 1928.
- DARBAY, ADAM—Bedford, 1847.
- DAVIS, S. E.—Buffalo Circuit, 1859; Clinton, 1860-61; Wyoming, 1862-63; Middle Creek, 1864; Cherry Circuit, 1865; Muncy Circuit, 1866; Northumberland Mission, 1867-68; Hagerstown, 1869-70; Middle Creek, 1871-72; Cumberland, 1873-74; Dillsburg, 1875-76; Lewisberry, 1877-79; Bloomsburg, 1880-81; transferred to the Pacific Conference, 1882; returned to Central Pennsylvania Conference and served Hilands Mission, 1889; Center Hall, 1890-92; Port Trevorton, 1893-95; Fishing Creek Valley, 1896; Juniata, 1897-99; superannuated, 1900; died, 1902.
- DAVIS, WM.—Shrewsbury, 1863-64; Hagerstown, 1865-66; Perry, 1867; Liverpool, 1868; Danville, 1869-70; Lycoming, 1871; White Deer, 1872; located, 1873-74; Milton Circuit, 1875; transferred to Des Moines Conference.
- DAYTON, I. R.—Cumberland, 1894; Stuben Circuit, 1895; withdrew, 1896.
- DEABLER, NOAH—Baltimore Circuit, 1857-58; Clinton, 1859-60; Lycoming, 1861; Center, 1862; located; died in Snyder County, Pa., 1898.
- DEININGER, C. F.—Columbia, 1850; Cherry Circuit, 1851; York, 1852-53; Cumberland, 1854-55; Shrewsbury, 1856-57; Baltimore (Green Street), 1858-59; Union Circuit, 1860-61; agent for Union Seminary, New Berlin,

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- Pa., 1862; Lewisburg, 1863; missionary to San Francisco, Calif., 1864-66; Salem, Oregon, 1867-69; Washington, D. C., 1870; Presiding Elder Carlisle District, 1871; Baltimore District, 1872-74; York (Queen Street), 1875-76; Center Circuit, 1877-79; Middleburg, 1880-82; New Berlin, 1883-84; located, 1885; York (Queen Street), 1886-88; died, 1888.
- DELLINGER, GEORGE—Lake Circuit, 1837; Somerset Circuit, 1838; Armstrong, 1839-40; Gettysburg Circuit, 1841-42; Washington Circuit, 1843; Perry Circuit, 1844-45; Strassburg, 1846-47; Clarion, 1848-49; Union Circuit, 1850; Center, 1851-52; Clarion, 1853; York Circuit, 1854-55; Middle Creek, 1856-57; located, 1858 and went West; returned to the Central Pennsylvania Conference, 1874; died in York County, 1878.
- DERRICK, R. J.—Newberry, 1873-74; Seneca, 1875-76; Prospect, 1877; withdrew and moved to Iowa.
- DETWILER, W. E.—Cumberland, 1863; Perry, 1864; Conewago, 1865; Buffalo, 1866; Lock Haven, 1867-68; Marysville, 1869-70; Danville, 1871-73; Lewisburg, 1874; Nittany Valley, 1875-77; Williamsport (Bennet Street), 1878; Presiding Elder Lewisburg District, 1879-82; Presiding Elder Williamsport District, 1883-86; Shrewsbury, 1887-88; York (King Street), 1889-90; Presiding Elder, Carlisle District, 1891-94; Williamsport District, 1895-97; agent for Central Pa. College, 1898-1900; Williamsport (St. John), 1901-02; Carlisle, 1903; financial agent for Albright College, 1904; Hanover, 1905-08; Mount Holly 1909-11; Marysville, 1912-14; Danville, 1915-18; superannuated, 1919; died, September 3, 1924, at Evangelical Home, Lewisburg, Pa.
- DICE, LEVI—McVeytown, 1874; McClure, 1875; Mifflinburg Circuit, 1876-77; Peach Bottom Circuit, 1878; Jarrettsville, 1879-81; Lewisberry, 1882-84; Cumberland, 1885-87; Lycoming, 1888-90; Zion's Grove, 1891-93; Loganville, 1894-95; McClure, 1896-99; Sugar Valley, 1900-01; Buffalo Circuit, 1902-05; Port Trevorton, 1906; Ransom, 1907-10; Williamsport Circuit, 1911-14; Wapwallopen, 1915; Milesburg, 1916; West Milton, 1917; superannuated, 1918; died at Marysville, Pa., 1928.
- DICK, C. J.—Turbotville, 1886; Wyoming, 1887-89; Tunkhannock, 1890; Columbia Circuit, 1891; Luzerne, 1892-93; located, 1894-1902; Wellsville, 1903-04; located, 1905-10; Lock Haven Mission, 1911-14; Williamsport Circuit, 1915-16; Hebbville, 1917-18; Brooklyn, 1919; located, 1920-30; died, 1931 at Farrandville, Pa.
- DICK, JEREMIAH M.—Nittany Valley, 1880; Center, 1881; Liverpool, 1882-83; Lock Haven, 1884-86; appointed to the Oregon Conference and credentials granted, 1887.
- DICK, J. M.—East Point, 1916-18; Warrensville, 1919-23; Berwick (St. Paul), 1924-28; Lewistown (Grace), 1929-30; Northumberland, 1931; located, 1932; surrendered his license, 1933.
- DICK, JOSEPH—Baltimore County Mission, 1844; Union Circuit, 1845; Center, 1846; Cherry Circuit, 1847; Venango, 1848; Warren, 1849-50; Venango Circuit, 1851; went to the Pittsburgh Conference.
- DIETRICH, H. A.—Luzerne, 1859-60; Montour, 1861; Buffalo, 1862-63; Wyoming, 1864-65; Gettysburg Circuit, 1866; located, 1867; Big Spring, 1868-69; Conewago Circuit, 1870-71; Cumberland, 1872; Perry Circuit, 1873-75; Jersey Shore, 1876; withdrew and united with the Lutheran Church.

- DOUTY, H. H.—Susquehanna, 1879; Wyoming, 1880-81; Luzerne, 1882-83; Chanceford, 1884-85; Shrewsbury, 1886; York Circuit, 1887; Jarrettsville, 1888-90; Alberton, 1891-93; East Prospect, 1894; Newport and Marysville, 1895; Warrenton, 1896-99; Juniata Circuit, 1900; died, 1900.
- DUNLAP, JAMES—Cumberland, 1842; Perry, 1842-44; Columbia, 1845-46; Cumberland, 1847-48; Presiding Elder Susquehanna District, 1849-52; Franklin, 1853; Leesburg, 1854-55; Cumberland, 1856; Presiding Elder Susquehanna District, 1857-58; located and moved to Naperville, Ill.
- DUNN, E. B.—Washingtonville, 1894-97; Muncy Valley, 1898-1901; Danville, 1902-05; Nescopeck, 1906-08; Glen Rock, 1909-12; Williamsport (St. John), 1913-16; Bellefonte, 1917-20; Baltimore (Memorial), 1921-23; Berkeley Springs, 1924-30; Hebbville, 1931-32; withdrew, 1933.
- EBERHART, LEVI—Indiana Circuit, 1841; Baltimore Mission, 1842; Pittsburgh, 1843-44; Venango, 1846; York Station, 1847-48; Cumberland, 1849-50; Baltimore Circuit, 1851; located and went West.
- EBERHART, URIAH—Somerset, 1843; Westmoreland, 1844-45; Cumberland, 1846; Franklin, 1847; Strassburg, 1848; Presiding Elder Somerset District, 1849-51; transferred to Pittsburgh Conference.
- EDGER, JOHN—York Circuit, 1842; Bedford, 1843-44; Somerset, 1845; located, 1846; Indiana Circuit, 1847; Warren, 1848.
- EPPLEY, BENJAMIN—Somerset, 1837; Columbia, 1838; Lykens Circuit, 1839; Union Circuit, 1840; Lycoming, 1841; Indiana Circuit, 1842; Lycoming, 1843-44; credentials to Illinois Conference, 1845.
- ERTEL, D. A.—Port Trevorton, 1911-12; Nittany, 1913-15; New Berlin, 1916-19; Millmont, 1920-22; Grover, 1923; Salladasburg, 1924-25; located, 1926; died in Spring Mills, Pa., 1929.
- ETTINGER, ADAM—York Circuit, 1816; Lancaster Circuit, 1917; located, 1818-34; elected first editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, 1835; located until 1840; York Circuit, 1841; Presiding Elder of Zion District, 1842-43; editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, 1844-47; located, 1848-61; Harford Circuit, 1862; York Circuit, 1863; Baltimore Circuit, 1864-65; located, 1866; transferred to the Atlantic Conference, 1875; died in York, Pa., November 2, 1877.
- ETTINGER, J. M.—Conewago Circuit, 1867; Shrewsbury, 1868-69; Baltimore, 1870-72; Carlisle, 1873-74; Liverpool, 1875; Leesburg, 1876-77; East Prospect, 1878; Berwick, 1879-81; Lock Haven, 1882-83; Presiding Elder, Juniata District, 1884-86; York District, 1887-90; because of failing health, resigned the office of Presiding Elder, 1891; died in York, Pa., 1895.
- FARLEY, H. C.—York (Jackson Street), 1903; transferred with credentials to the Platte River Conference.
- FARNSWORTH, J. C.—Lehigh Circuit, 1843; Milford Circuit, 1844-45; Germantown Circuit, 1846; Northampton, 1847; Pine Grove, 1848; Harrisburg Mission, 1849-50; Lykens Circuit, 1851; Reading Station, 1852-53; Dauphin Circuit, 1854; Womelsdorf Circuit, 1855; located, 1856; came to West Pa. Conference, Boalsburg, 1856; Buffalo, 1857-58; Boalsburg, 1859; Perry Circuit, 1860; Liverpool, 1861-62; Perry, 1863; Port Trevorton, 1864;

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Middle Creek, 1865-66; Conewago, 1867-68; White Ground, 1869; York (Queen Street), 1870-71; Loganville, 1872-73; transferred to Atlantic Conference; died in York, Pa., 1883.

FAUS, W. A.—West Clifford, 1899-1900; Waller, 1901-02; Luzerne, 1904-05; withdrew, 1906.

FINKBINDER, C. W.—York Circuit, 1879-80; Dorsey, 1881-82; Lewistown and Patterson, 1883-84; Milton, 1885-86; Columbia Circuit, 1887-89; Zion's Grove, 1890; Millheim, 1891-93; Lewisburg, 1894-96; Marysville, 1897-98; Glen Rock, 1899-1900; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1901-02; Red Lion, 1902-06; Lock Haven, 1907-09; Williamsport (First), 1910-12; Baltimore (Grace), 1913-16; Nescopeck, 1917-18; York (St. Paul), 1920-22; Lemoyne, 1923-26; superannuated, 1927; died in York, Pa., 1927.

FOSS, J. A.—Susquehanna, 1899-1900; Nittany, 1901; Milton Circuit, 1902-04; Milesburg Circuit, 1905-06; located, 1907; withdrew, 1912.

FOSELMAN, M. F.—McClure, 1881; Catawissa, 1882-84; Luzerne, 1885-87; Tunkhannock, 1888-90; Nescopeck, 1891-92; Milton, 1893-96; Carlisle, 1897-99; Williamsport (First), 1900-03; Lock Haven, 1904-06; Williamsport (St. John), 1907-10; Presiding Elder, York District, 1911-14; Lewisburg District, 1915-18; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1919-21; superannuated, 1922; died at Williamsport, Pa., March 20, 1931.

FOX, J. B.—Middleburg Circuit, 1883; Center Circuit, 1884; Catawissa, 1885-86; Waller, 1887-88; Hebbville, 1889-91; East Liberty, 1892-93; Lycoming, 1894-96; Lock Haven Circuit, 1897-98; York (Grace), 1899; died at York, Pa. 1899.

FOY, GEORGE—Venango, 1846-47; Franklin, 1848-49; Union, 1850; withdrew from the Church.

FRAY, A. C.—Received as a Local Elder on credentials from the Northwestern Conference, March, 1920; Liverpool, 1916; Port Trevorton, 1917; Grover, 1918-19; Blosserville, 1920; located, 1921; withdrew, 1925.

FREY, G. J.—Indiana Circuit, 1845; located, 1846-48; Franklin, 1849.

FULCOMER, EDWARD—Harford, 1893-95; Craleyville, 1896-97; Yorkana, 1898-1900; Felton, 1901; Yoe and Freysville, 1902-03; York (Christ), 1904-05; Berwick (St. Paul), 1906-09; Newport, 1910-13; Bellefonte, 1914-16; Bellwood, 1917-19; Altoona, 1920; Wayland, 1921-24; Mifflin, 1925-31; Baltimore (Walbrook), 1932-35; Bloomsburg, 1936; died at Bloomsburg, Pa., July 9, 1936.

FULCOMER, W. N.—Bendersville, 1895; Dillsburg Circuit, 1896; Fishing Creek Valley, 1897-99; Warrensville, 1900-03; Bellwood, 1904-06; Yorkana, 1907-08; Dallastown, 1909; credentials to the Oregon Conference, 1910; returned, 1911; Scranton, 1911; withdrew, 1912.

FULTON, J. C.—Westmoreland, 1845; located, 1846.

FURNER, J. H.—Cumberland, 1892-93; Bendersville, 1894; Leesburg, 1895-96; Lewisberry, 1897-1900; Hanover Mission, 1901-04; Hebbville, 1905-08; Felton, 1909-12; Brooklyn Mission, 1913-17; Northumberland, 1918-21; Williamsport (Grace), 1922-26; Bellwood, 1927-29; Burnham, 1930-34; Hughesville, 1935-36; died at Hughesville, October 21, 1936.

- GALLAGHER, G. B.—Shrewsbury, 1886; Highlands, 1887-88; withdrew, 1889.
- GARRETT, C. F.—Cumberland, 1889; Hagerstown Circuit, 1890-92; Big Spring Circuit, 1893-95; Sugar Valley Circuit, 1896-99; Bellwood, 1900-03; McClure Circuit, 1904-05; Millheim, 1906-09; York (St. Paul), 1910-13; East Prospect, 1914-15; died, April 18, 1915.
- GEPHART, C. F.—Liberty, 1877; York Circuit, 1878; Cumberland, 1879-80; East Prospect, 1881; located, 1882-83; Middleburg Circuit, 1884; Hagerstown, 1885-87; withdrew with credentials, 1888.
- GETZ, J. W.—Howard, 1926; surrendered his license and withdrew.
- GOBBLE, AARON E.—Licensed by East Pa. Conference, 1879; received on credentials, 1881; principal of Union Seminary, 1879-86; president of Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin, Pa., 1887-1901; professor of Latin Language and Literature, Albright College, Myerstown, Pa., 1902-29; died, April 17, 1929.
- GOODLING, C. H.—York Circuit, 1881; East Prospect, 1882; Williamsport Circuit, 1883-85; Sugar Valley Circuit, 1886-87; Hebbville, 1888; York Circuit, 1889-91; Chanceford, 1892; Center Hall, 1893-96; Bellefonte, 1897-98; Lewistown, 1899-1902; White Deer, 1903; West Berwick, 1904-05; York (Jackson Street), 1906-09; York (Zion), 1910-13; died, November 19, 1913.
- GOODLING, E. O.—Highland, 1884-86; withdrew, 1888.
- GOTTWALT, W. H.—Buffalo Circuit, 1858; withdrew and united with the Lutheran Church.
- GRAHAM, PHILIP—Harford, 1857; Liverpool, 1858-59; Center, 1860-61; Luzerne Circuit, 1862-63; Clinton, 1864-65; Liverpool, 1866-67; Harford, 1868; located and died, 1869.
- GRAHAM, PHILIP, JR.—Big Spring, 1873-75; located.
- GRAMLEY, A. J.—Middle Creek, 1872; located.
- GRAMLEY, C. H.—Conewago, 1868; Buffalo, 1869; Baltimore Circuit, 1870-71; Alberton, 1872-73; went West and withdrew from the Church.
- GREGG, W. B.—Franklin, 1847; Virginia Circuit, 1848; Shenandoah, 1849; Westmoreland Circuit, 1850-51; went West and united with M. E. Church.
- GRENNINGER, H. N.—Liverpool, 1872; Lycoming, 1873; Liberty, 1874-75; Baltimore Circuit, 1876-78; Loganville, 1879-81; York Circuit, 1882-84; Whiteground (Hebbville), 1885-87; located, 1888; died, 1916.
- GROSS, H. W.—York Circuit, 1877; Leesburg, 1878-80; New Berlin, 1881-82; Middleburg Circuit, 1883; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1884-85; Nittany Valley, 1886-87; Luzerne, 1888; Nescopeck, 1889-90; Milton, 1891-92; White Deer, 1893-94; Hanover, 1895; Hagerstown, 1896-97; license revoked and name removed from roll.
- GROUP, P. W.—Lycoming, 1875; Newberry, 1876-78; Glen Rock, 1879-81; Elysville, 1882-83; Alberton, 1884; Carlisle, 1885-87; Cumberland, 1888-90; Big Spring, 1891-92; Bendersville, 1893; located, 1894; died, 1912.

HALL, B. F.—Gettysburg Circuit, 1850-51; Franklin, 1852; Columbia, 1853-54; Buffalo Circuit, 1855-56; located, 1857-75; Cumberland, 1876; located, 1877; died, 1901, at Shermansdale, Pa.

HAMMER, CHARLES—Lebanon, 1830; White Deer, 1831; Wooster, 1832; Lancaster, 1833; Canton, 1834; Schuylkill, 1835; Buffalo, 1836; Presiding Elder, Moriah District, 1837-38; General Book Agent, 1839-41; Baltimore, 1842-43; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1844-45; Susquehanna District, 1846-47; Baltimore, 1848-49; York Circuit, 1850-51; located, 1852; Presiding Elder, Susquehanna District, 1853; Publishing Agent, 1854; since then he served the Church as Publisher, Editor and Superintendent of the Orphan Home at Flat Rock, Ohio; died in Cleveland, Ohio, January 2, 1887.

HANEY, E. E.—Birdsboro, 1895-97; Port Trevorton, 1901-04; Spring Mills, 1905-07; Penns Valley, 1908-10; Waller, 1911-17; located, 1918-21; Sugar Valley, 1922; Spring Mills, 1923-25; Grover, 1926-28; East Point, 1929; West Nanticoke, 1930-33; Salladasburg, 1934; died at Salladasburg, July 16, 1934.

HARDING, SANFORD—Luzerne, 1872; located, now living in Allentown.

HARRIS, L. K.—Hughesville, 1870; Nittany Valley, 1871; Buffalo, 1872; Prospect, 1873; Lycoming, 1874; Milesburg, 1875-76; Canton, 1877; Dewart, 1878; Bloomsburg, 1879; Juniata, 1880-81; Fishing Creek Valley, 1882-84; Jarrettsville, 1885-87; Lewisberry, 1888-89; Bendersville, 1890-92; Big Spring, 1893; Fishing Creek Valley, 1894-95; located, 1896-99; Cherry Run, 1900-01; Mexico, 1902-03; Waller, 1904; located, 1905; died at Benton, Pa., 1914.

HARRIS, M. W.—Liverpool, 1860; Franklin Circuit, 1861-62; Columbia, 1863-64; Buffalo, 1865-66; Shrewsbury, 1867-68; Muncy, 1869-70; Liberty, 1871; Center Circuit, 1872; moved away, —.

HARTMAN, W. H.—Center Circuit, 1879-80; West Clifford, 1881; Maple Grove, 1882-83; Dushore and Bernice, 1884-86; Catawissa, 1887; Zion's Grove, 1888-89; Columbia, 1890-91; granted credentials to the M. E. Church, 1892; now living in Bloomsburg, Pa.

HARTZLER, BISHOP H. B.—Middle Creek Circuit, 1869; Carlisle, 1870-72; Milton, 1873; York (King Street), 1874-75; assistant editor of *The Evangelical-Messenger*, 1876-79; elected editor of *The Evangelical-Messenger*, 1879-87; editor of *The Evangelical*, 1888-90; Chaplain of The Moody Bible School, Northfield, Mass., 1891-94; editor of *The Evangelical*, 1895-1902; bishop of The United Evangelical Church, 1902-10; editor of *The Evangelical*, 1910-20; died, September 3, 1920.

HARTZLER, JACOB—Middle Creek, 1856-57; Wilkes-Barre, 1858-59; Columbia Circuit, 1860; Buffalo Circuit, 1861; Center Circle, 1862; agent for Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., 1863; Lewisburg, 1864; agent for Washington, D. C., Mission, 1865-66; Glen Rock, 1867-70; Baltimore (Green Street), 1871; editor, *The Evangelical-Messenger*, 1872-79; Superintendent, Japan Mission, 1880-87; Presiding Elder, Carlisle District, 1888-90; Center District, 1891-94; Yorkana, 1896-97; Alberton, 1898-1901; York (Grace), 1902-04; Alberton, 1905-07; Mechanicsburg, 1908-09; West Nanticoke, 1910; superannuated, 1911; died at York, Pa., 1915.

- HAUERT, MATHIAS—Armstrong, 1836; Lancaster Circuit, 1837; Crawford, 1838; Somerset, 1939; Bedford, 1840; Clarion, 1841-42; transferred to the Illinois Conference, 1843 and became a charter member of same.
- HEINEY, G. W.—Waller, 1896; Bellefonte Circuit, 1897-98; located, 1899; name dropped from Conference Roll, 1904.
- HEISS, PETER—Cumberland, 1842; York Circuit, 1843; Somerset, 1844; located, 1845-46; Lycoming, 1847; Cumberland, 1848; Strassburg, 1849; Luzerne, 1850-51; Hollidaysburg, 1852; located, 1853; Canton, 1854; located, 1856; died in Mifflinburg, Pa., 1871.
- HEISS, SAMUEL—Armstrong, 1839-40; Warren, 1841; transferred to the Ohio Conference, 1842.
- HENGST, BENJ.—Center Circuit, 1847-48; Buffalo Circuit, 1849; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1850-51; Baltimore (Green Street), 1852-53; Center, 1854-55; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1856-59; Baltimore (Green Street), 1860-62; York (Queen Street), 1863-64; Baltimore (Green Street), 1865-66; Washington, D. C., 1867-68; Baltimore (Green Street), 1869-70; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1871-72; Baltimore (Memorial), 1873; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1874-76; located, 1877; Baltimore (Memorial), 1878-80; Lewisburg, 1881-82; Center Circuit, 1883-85; Loganville, 1886-88; York (Queen Street), 1889-91; Williamsport (Market Street), 1892; Newport, 1893-94; York (Grace), 1895-98; York (West), 1899; located, 1900-02; Mt. Holly Springs, 1902-03; Emigsville, 1904; York (Bethany), 1905-06; superannuated, 1907; died in York, Pa., November 13, 1907.
- HENN, JACOB—Center, 1856; Lycoming, 1857; Middle Creek, 1858; Center, 1859; Baltimore Circuit, 1860-61; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1862-63; Washington, D. C., 1864-65; collector for Washington Church, 1866; Baltimore (Green Street), 1868-69; transferred to the Iowa Conference, 1870.
- HERTZ, J. H.—Columbia, 1877; Liberty, 1878; Catawissa, 1879-81; Susquehanna, 1882; Tunkhannock, 1883; Maple Grove, 1884-85; Chanceford, 1886-87; Red Lion Circuit, 1888-90; Shrewsbury, 1891; Spring Mills, 1892-94; Middleburg, 1895-98; Perry, 1899-1902; Cumberland, 1903; Yoe, 1904-05; East Point, 1906-07; Sonestown, 1908-11; South Wayland, 1912; superannuated, 1913; died at Sonestown, Pa., 1926.
- HESS, BENJ.—Center, 1844; Lycoming, 1845; Union, 1846; Buffalo, 1847.
- HETNER, J. A.—Milton, 1871; Sugar Valley, 1872; Liverpool, 1873-74; Millerstown, 1875; Orangeville, 1876; transferred to the Platte River Conference, 1877.
- HEWITT, C. E.—Wapwallopen, 1918; Rebersburg, 1919; student, Albright College, 1920-26; student pastor at Steelton, 1925-26; State College, 1926-28; theological student, 1929-30; Mechanicsburg, 1931-34; died at Mechanicsburg, Pa., November 28, 1934.
- HILL, E. S.—Pennsdale, 1915; South Wayland, 1916-19; Liberty, 1920-24; Loganville, 1925-28; Cumberland, 1929-31; Baltimore (Immanuel), 1932-33; died in Baltimore, Md., January 16, 1933.
- HINKLE, GEO.—Perry Circuit, 1852; left the Church.

HOFFMAN, F. C.—Cumberland, 1860; professor in Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., 1861-72; moved to Cleveland, Ohio.

HOFFMAN, M.—Lycoming, 1854; Clinton, 1855; left the Church.

HOLLENBAUGH, J. A.—Wyoming, 1877-78; Lenoxville, 1879-80; transferred to the Oregon Conference, 1881-86; Lewisburg, 1887-89; Lock Haven, 1890-91; Williamsport (First), 1892-95; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1896-97; Altoona, 1898-1901; Baltimore (Memorial), 1902-05; Lewisburg, 1906-09; Presiding Elder, Williamsport District, 1910-13; Carlisle District, 1914-17; Jersey Shore, 1918-20; superannuated, 1921; died in Lewisburg, Pa., 1932.

HORNBERGER, Z.—Perry, 1858; Montour, 1859; Cherry, 1860; York Circuit, 1861; Cumberland, 1862-63; Conewago, 1864; Shrewsbury, 1865-66; Gettysburg, 1867; Clinton, 1868-69; Liberty, 1870; Seneca, 1872; Jersey Shore, 1872; Port Trevorton, 1873-74; Lewistown and Patterson, 1875-76; Lewisburg, 1877; Shickshinny, 1878; Buffalo Circuit, 1879-80; Danville, 1881; East Liberty, 1882-83; Milesburg, 1884; Seneca Falls, 1885-86; Red Lion Circuit, 1887; assistant editor of *The Living Epistle* and *English Sunday-school Literature*, 1888-91; located, 1892; withdrew.

HUMMELSHEIM, LEVI—Cumberland, 1844; Gettysburg Circuit, 1845-46; Perry Circuit, 1847; Tuscarora Mission, 1848.

HUNTER, GEO.—Virginia Circuit, 1848; Gettysburg Circuit, 1849; Virginia, 1850; Shrewsbury, 1851; Perry Circuit, 1852; Buffalo, 1853; Seneca Falls, 1855-56; Hagerstown, 1857; Shrewsbury, 1858-59; Lewisburg, 1860; Columbia, 1861-62; Gettysburg, 1863-64; New Berlin, 1865-66; Cumberland, 1867; New Berlin, 1868; Lock Haven, 1869-70; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1871; located, 1872; White Deer, 1873; Buffalo, 1874-75; located, 1876-77; Bloomsburg, 1878; Danville, 1879-80; Center Hall, 1881-82; located, 1883-87; Leesburg, 1888; superannuated, 1889; died at Lewisburg, Pa., 1901.

HYDE, J. S.—Franklin Circuit, 1850; transferred to Pittsburgh Conference, 1851.

IRVINE, A. H.—Perry Circuit, 1860-61; Lock Haven, 1862; Cherry, 1863-64; Lewisburg, 1865-66; Columbia, 1867-68; Lewisburg, 1869; Milton, 1870-72; Union, 1873-74; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1875-77; Carlisle, 1878-80; Baltimore (Memorial), 1881-82; York (Trinity), 1883-85; York Circuit, 1886; Milton, 1887-89; Lewisburg, 1890; Presiding Elder, Lewisburg District, 1891-94; York District, 1895-98; Hagerstown, 1899-1902; Lemoyne, 1903-06; Hagerstown, 1907-10; Hanover, 1911-14; York (Princess Street), 1915-17; superannuated, 1918; died in York, Pa., 1923.

IRVINE, JOHN A.—Hughesville, 1871; Perry, 1872; Bendersville, 1873; Conewago, 1874; Bloomsburg, 1875-76; Berwick, 1877-78; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1879; Nittany Valley, 1880-82; Milton, 1883-84; Glen Rock, 1885-87; Carlisle, 1888-89; granted credentials and moved to Texas, 1890.

JACOBS, J. A.—Gettysburg Circuit, 1835-36; Union, 1837; Cumberland, 1838-39; York and Gettysburg Circuit, 1840; Cumberland, 1841; located, 1842-47; Gettysburg, 1848; located.

JAMES, E.—Cumberland, 1878; Middleburg, 1879-80; located.

JAMISON, M. I.—Sugar Valley, 1885; Nittany Valley, 1886-87; Turbotsville, 1888; Hughesville, 1889-91; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1892-95; Nescopeck, 1896-97; Baltimore (Memorial), 1898-1901; Altoona, 1902-05; Baltimore (Memorial), 1906; York (Trinity), 1907-10; Hagerstown, 1911-12; Albright College agent, 1913-14; Presiding Elder, Williamsport District, 1915-18; Center District, 1919-20; died at Williamsport, Pa., February 17, 1920, while engaged in writing his annual report as Presiding Elder.

JARRETT, P. F.—Buffalo, 1874-75; Jarrettsville, 1876-78; Bendersville, 1879-81; Dillsburg, 1882-84; East Prospect, 1885-87; Liverpool, 1888; located, 1889; Nittany Valley, 1890-91; Sugar Valley, 1892-94; located, 1895; withdrew, 1898.

JOSEPH, GEO.—Milton Circuit, 1876-77; Liverpool, 1878; Marysville, 1879-80; Fishing Creek Valley, 1881; Hagerstown Circuit, 1882-84; Perry, 1885-86; Millmont, 1887-88; Shrewsbury, 1889-90; East Prospect, 1891-93; Red Lion, 1894; Lewistown, 1895-98; Newport, 1889-1900; located, 1901-09; Lewistown, 1910-11; superannuated, 1912; died at Lewistown, Pa., March 3, 1922.

KAUFFMAN, JOHN—York and Gettysburg Circuits, 1840; Buffalo, 1841.

KEAGLE, H.—Canton, 1852; Buffalo, 1853-54; moved West.

KEEN, E. D.—Middleburg, 1881; McClure, 1882; Juniata Circuit, 1883-85; Liverpool, 1886-87; Yorkana, 1888-90; Loganville, 1881-93; Yorkana, 1894; Red Lion, 1895-97; Nescopeck, 1898-1901; East Prospect, 1902-03; York (St. Paul), 1904-06; Berwick (North), 1907-10; Lemoyne, 1911-14; Wrightsville, 1915-17; died at Wrightsville, 1917.

KEHR, DANIEL—Canton Circuit, 1830; Lancaster Circuit, 1831; Somerset, 1832; Lake Circuit, 1833; Gettysburg, 1834; located, 1835; Somerset, 1836; Indiana, 1837; Lykens Circuit, 1838; Dansville Circuit, 1839; ———— 1840; Columbia, 1841; Presiding Elder, Carmel District, 1842-43; Potomac District, 1844-45; Clinton Circuit, 1846-47; Union, 1848; Center, 1849-50; Block House, 1851; went west and served as Presiding Elder; afterward returned; superannuated and died in 1871.

KELLER, B. F.—Jersey Shore Circuit, 1875; Block House, 1876; Bendersville, 1877; Liverpool, 1878; Juniata, 1878; Dushore, 1880; New Columbia, 1881-83; West Clifford, 1884-85; Wayland, 1886-88; Grover, 1889-91; West Brooklyn, 1892; Tunkhannock, 1893; Hebbville, 1894-95; York Circuit, 1896-97; Craleyville, 1898-1900; Ransom, 1901-04; Lopez, 1905-08; New Berlin, 1909-12; Port Treverton, 1913-16; Pennsdale, 1917-20; Penns Creek, 1921-24; superannuated, 1925; died, 1927.

KELLEY, LEVI—Indiana Circuit, 1847; Gettysburg, 1848; Franklin, 1849.

KENNELLEY, M. A.—Milesburg, 1892; Middleburg, 1893; Liberty, 1894-95; Hebbville, 1896-99; York (St. Paul), 1900-01; Baltimore (Grace), 1902-05; Altoona, 1906-07; York (Grace), 1908-12; Carlisle, 1912-15; Milton, 1916-20; Lewistown, 1921-22; Hughesville, 1923-25; York (Grace), 1926-27; died, March 8, 1928.

KEPNER, D. A.—Big Spring, 1867; Hagerstown Circuit, 1868; Luzerne, 1869-70; Liverpool, 1871-72; located, 1873; died, 1901.

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- KESSLER, E. L.—Sugar Valley, 1889; Milesburg, 1890; Middleburg, 1891; Leesburg, 1892-94; Perry Circuit, 1895-96; Hagerstown Circuit, 1897-99; Luzerne Circuit, 1900-03; Harford, 1904-05; located, 1906-18; East Point, 1919-22; Keystone, 1923-29; superannuated, 1930; died, 1934.
- KING, J. M.—Boalsburg, 1869; Center Circuit, 1870; Nittany Circuit, 1871; Block House, 1872-73; Canton Circuit, 1874-75; Milesburg, 1877-79; Canton Circuit, 1880-82; Newberry, 1883-85; Center Hall, 1886-87; Nittany Valley, 1888-89; Williamsport Circuit, 1890-92; Jersey Shore Circuit, 1893-96; Wayland, 1897-1900; Williamsport Circuit, 1901-04; Columbia Circuit, 1905-08; Lopez, 1909-10; Williamsport (Grace), 1911; superannuated and died, 1912.
- KLINE, D. P.—York Circuit, 1874; Center Circuit, 1875; Jersey Shore, 1876-77; Sugar Valley, 1878-80; Buffalo, 1881-83; Columbia Circuit, 1884-86; credentials to the Platte River Conference, 1887.
- KLINE, E. N.—Alberton, 1925; Buffalo Valley, 1926; credentials, 1927.
- KOHR, EMANUEL—Gettysburg Circuit, 1844; Perry, 1845-46; Columbia, 1847-48; Buffalo, 1849-50; Cumberland, 1851-52; Leesburg, 1853; York (Queen Street), 1854; York Circuit and Station, 1855; Hagerstown, 1856; Perry, 1857; Presiding Elder, Center District, 1858-61; Baltimore District, 1862-65; Susquehanna District, 1866-69; Baltimore District, 1870; superannuated, 1861; Buffalo, 1872-73; White Deer, 1874; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1875; Carlisle District, 1876-78; Juniata District, 1879; York District, 1880-82; located, 1883-85; Williamsport (Market Street), 1886-87; Williamsport (Newberry), 1888-90; superannuated, 1891-94; died at Lewisburg, Pa., August 19, 1894.
- KOONTZ, E. W.—Milesburg, 1888-90; Bellefonte Mission, 1891-92; Millmont, 1893-95; Nittany Valley, 1896-97; Liverpool, 1898-99; Fishing Creek Valley, 1900-02; superannuated and died, 1903.
- KOONTZ, S. E.—Milesburg, 1889; Nittany Valley, 1890; Wayland, 1891-93; Williamsport (Grace), 1894-97; Patterson, 1898-1900; Spring Mills, 1901-02; New Berlin, 1903-06; Winfield, 1907-10; Bloomsburg, 1911-13; York (St. Paul), 1914-18; Berwick (North), 1919-22; Lewistown (Grace), 1923-28; Newport, 1929-32; died, November 4, 1932.
- KOPP, G.—Indiana Circuit, 1844; Clarion, 1845; Virginia, 1846; located, 1847-48; Venango Circuit, 1849-50; located and moved west.
- KRAUSE, ABRAHAM—Center, 1850; Lycoming, 1851; York Circuit, 1852-53; Center, 1854-55; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1856-57; Shrewsbury, 1858-59; Middleburg, 1860-61; Lycoming, 1862-63; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1864-65; York Circuit, 1866-67; Loganville, 1868-69; York Circuit, 1870; Lycoming, 1871-72; Williamsport (Market Street), 1873-75; McClure Circuit, 1876; Middleburg, 1877; York Circuit, 1878; Lycoming, 1879-81; superannuated, 1882-93; died at Williamsport, Pa., 1893.
- KREAMER, A. W.—Middle Creek, 1867; Boalsburg, 1868; Muncy, 1869; Big Spring, 1870-71; Conewago, 1872-73; Jarrettsville, 1874-75; Liverpool, 1876; Luzerne, 1877-78; transferred to the Kansas Conference.
- KREAMER, DANIEL—Buffalo, 1846; York Circuit, 1847-48; Gettysburg, 1849-50; Union, 1851; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1852-53; Baltimore

(Green Street), 1854-55; Center, 1856-57; agent for Union Seminary, New Berlin, 1858; York (Queen Street), 1859; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1860-61; moved to the West, 1862.

KREAMER, JOHN—Lancaster Circuit, 1839-40; Lehigh, 1841; Milford, 1842-43; Lykens, 1844-45; Lehigh, 1846-47; Clinton, 1848; Perry, 1849-50; Shrewsbury, 1851; York Circuit, 1852-53; Lycoming, 1854-55; York, 1856; located, 1857-66; Middle Creek, 1867-68; Lycoming, 1869-70; Williamsport (German), 1871-72; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1873; Loganville, 1874-76; Brush Valley, 1876-78; moved to Kansas.

KRING, S. B.—Somerset, 1850; Center, 1851; to Pittsburgh Conference.

KURTZ, FRED—Buffalo, 1863; Michigan Conference, 1864-71; Baltimore (Green Street), 1872-76; transferred to the Atlantic Conference.

LEES, J. H.—Franklin, 1850; Cherry Circuit, 1851; Liverpool Circuit, 1852-53; located, 1854.

LEONARD, E. P.—Middleburg, 1878; McClure, 1879-80; transferred to the Des Moines Conference.

LILLEY, WILLIAM HURLEY—Licensed at Baltimore (Green Street) in 1876; York Circuit, 1876-1877; Catawissa Circuit, 1877-78; New Columbia, 1878-81; Liverpool, 1881-82; Leesburg, 1882-83; White Deer, 1883-84; Luzerne, 1884-85; Hughesville, 1885-86; located, 1886-91; Newberry, 1891-95; Lock Haven, 1895-96; Glen Rock, 1896-98; Marysville, 1898-1902; Hagerstown, 1902-1906; Jersey Shore, 1906-09; York (Christ), 1909-13; Mifflin, 1913-17; Middleburg, 1917-20; Mt. Holly Springs, 1920-25; superannuated, 1925; died, 1939.

LINDEMAN, CHARLES—Clarion, 1846; Lycoming, 1847; Clinton, 1848; Center, 1849; Pittsburgh, 1850-51; transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference, 1852.

LINK, J. C.—Union Circuit, 1844; York Circuit, 1845; Warren, 1846-47; Pittsburgh, 1848-49; Allegheny Mission, 1850; sent to Germany as a missionary and later withdrew from the Church.

LOHR, J. J.—Nittany Valley, 1876-77; Lock Haven, 1878-79; Milesburg, 1880-81; Hughesville, 1882-84; Berwick, 1885-87; Baltimore (Grace), 1888; Glen Rock, 1889-91; Nittany Valley, 1892-94; Center, 1895-98; Berwick, 1899-1901; Hughesville, 1902-04; died, March 1, 1905.

LONG, DANIEL N.—Shenandoah, Va., 1835; Indiana, 1836; Armstrong, 1837; Wooster, 1838; Indiana, 1839; Franklin, 1840; Cumberland, 1841; located, 1842; Virginia, 1843; Washington Circuit, 1844-45; Westmoreland, 1846; Virginia, 1847; located, 1848; Bedford, 1849; Clarion, 1850-51; transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference.

LONGSDORF, ALEX.—Center Circuit, 1838; Columbia, 1839-40; Indiana, 1841; Lycoming, 1842-43; Presiding Elder, Allegheny District, 1844-47; Lycoming, 1848; Presiding Elder, Allegheny District, 1849; Center District, 1850; Baltimore District, 1851-53; Susquehanna District, 1854-56; Lycoming Circuit, 1857-58; Buffalo, 1859-60; Block House, 1861-62; Leesburg, 1863-64; Cumberland, 1865; Shrewsbury, 1866-67; Gettysburg Circuit, 1868-69; Canton Circuit, 1870-71; superannuated, 1872; died in Clinton County, 1876.

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- LONGSDORF, J. M.—Nittany Valley, 1872; Center Hall, 1873; Bendersville, 1874; Mt. Holly, 1875; Shrewsbury, 1876-77; Perry, 1878-79; Hagerstown Circuit, 1880-81; Juniata, 1882; Wyoming, 1883-84; credentials to East Pa. Conference, 1885.
- LOVELL, G. LEIDY—Penns Creek, 1899. Granted credentials to the Oregon Conference, 1900, where he has since been serving.
- LUNGER, J. C.—Perry, 1850; Morgan Circuit, 1851; Gettysburg Circuit, 1852-53; Liverpool, 1854; Perry, 1855; Franklin, 1856; withdrew from the Church.
- MACE, J. H.—Blind Evangelist, licensed, 1898; died, 1910.
- MANBECK, J. F.—Lycoming, 1868; Clinton, 1869; Loganville, 1870; located, 1871; died, 1872.
- MARKLEY, A.—Came from East Pa. Conference; Seneca, 1872; returned to East Pa. Conference.
- MARLAND, J. W.—Clinton, 1851; located.
- MATHIAS, L.—Buffalo, 1873; located, 1874-75; Lairdsville, 1876; Millers-town, 1877; withdrew.
- MAUE, R. P.—Williamsport (Grace), 1905; Stuben, 1906-07; Yoe and York (Princess Street), 1908; granted credentials to Illinois Conference, 1909.
- MAXWELL, A. W.—Northumberland Mission, 1874; located, 1875-77; Du-boistown, 1878; located; surrendered license and withdrew from the Church, 1886.
- MAY, LEWIS—Hollidaysburg Mission, 1851; Center, 1852; Clinton, 1853; Union, 1854-55; Wilkes-Barre, Mission, 1856-57; York Circuit, 1858-59; Middle Creek, 1862-63; Lycoming, 1864-65; died during last year on charge.
- MAYER, F. F.—Craleyville, 1893; Tunkhannock, 1894-96; Ransom, 1897-1900; Susquehanna, 1901-03; located, 1904-10; Wapwallopen, 1911-12; located, 1913; Penns Creek, 1914-17; Port Trevorton, 1918-20; Keystone, 1921-22; Howard, 1923-25; located, 1926-32; died, 1933.
- McAMEY, JOHN—Cattawissa Circuit, 1878; Kingston Mission, 1879; located, 1878; died, 1889.
- McCARTY, JOHN—Venango, 1847; Indiana, 1848; located.
- McGAW, J. W.—Buffalo, 1860; Perry, 1861; Leesburg, 1862; Liverpool, 1863-64; located and later withdrew from the Church.
- McKESSON, J.—Columbia, 1849; Preston Circuit, 1850-51; transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference.
- McLEAN, MOSES—York Circuit, 1841; Bedford, 1842; Baltimore Circuit, 1843; York Circuit, 1844; located.
- McLEAN, SIMON—Lycoming, 1842; Somerset, 1843; Clarion, 1844; Bedford, 1845; Venango, 1846; Gettysburg, 1847; Perry, 1848; located.
- MESSINGER, J. W.—Nittany Valley, 1879; Susquehanna, 1880-81; West Clifford, 1882-83; New Columbia, 1884; Waller, 1885; Hughesville, 1886-88; Luzerne, 1889-90; Scranton, 1891-93; Carlisle, 1894-96; Milton, 1897-98;

- Bloomsburg, 1899-1900; Scranton, 1901-02; Presiding Elder, York District, 1903-06; Lewisburg District, 1907-10; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1911-13; Jersey Shore, 1914; Hanover, 1915-16; died, May 22, 1916.
- MESSNER, C. S.—Morgan Circuit, 1908-10; Hanover Circuit, 1911; McClure, 1912-14; Lewisberry, 1915-17; Nittany Valley, 1918-21; Sonestown, 1922-25; Lopez, 1926; credentials to the Lutheran Church, 1927.
- METFESSEL, F.—Cumberland, 1862; Lycoming, 1863-64; Cherry Circuit, 1865; Harford, 1866-67; Baltimore Circuit, 1868-69; transferred to Iowa Conference.
- METZGER, D. M.—Middleburg, 1887; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1888-92; Wrightsville, 1893-95; Oregon Conference and later Western Union College, Le Mars, Iowa, 1896-1920; died, June 15, 1920.
- MILLER, CHARLES—Virginia, 1846-47; Bedford, 1848; Morgan, 1848-49; located, 1850.
- MILLER, D. W.—Columbia, 1857; Luzerne, 1858; Harford, 1859-60; Luzerne, 1861; located, 1862-63; Center, 1864; Middle Creek, 1865; Liverpool, 1866-67; Perry, 1868-69; Port Trevorton, 1870-71; Baltimore Circuit, 1872; McClure, 1873-74; Middleburg, 1875-76; Williamsport Circuit, 1877-78; Williamsport (Market Street), 1879-81; Jersey Shore Circuit, 1882-83; White Deer, 1884; Lycoming, 1885-87; located, 1888; Seneca, 1889; located, 1890-94; Spring Mills, 1895; East Point, 1896-98; superannuated, 1899-1903; died, 1904.
- MILLER, FRED—Cumberland, 1849; located.
- MILLER, J. C.—Lycoming, 1853; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1854-55; transferred to Wisconsin.
- MILLER, J. G.—Union, 1851; transferred to Pittsburgh Conference.
- MILLER, J. L.—Received from the United Brethren Church as a local deacon, 1885; Bendersville Circuit, 1885-87; Center Hall Circuit, 1888; Hagerstown Circuit, 1889-90; deposed from the ministry and expelled from the Church, 1891.
- MILLER, S. S.—Cearfoss, 1922-25; York (Zion), 1926-32; died, June 25, 1932.
- MINSKER, WM.—Perry, 1888; Liberty, 1889-90; Sonestown, 1891; Waller, 1892-94; Cumberland, 1895; Big Spring, 1896-97; located, 1898; died, November 17, 1912.
- MOORE, C. D.—Waller, 1886; West Clifford, 1887-89; located, 1890; Columbia, 1893-96; Scranton, 1897-99; Cumberland, 1900-02; Yorkana, 1903-06; York (Zion), 1907-09; Danville, 1910-13; Burnham, 1914-15; New Columbia, 1916; Hughesville, 1917-18; Alberton, 1919-22; died, May 5, 1922.
- MORRIS, J. F.—Dorsey, 1915-22; located, 1923; died, August 30, 1928.
- MORRIS, T. M.—Lycoming, 1862; Middleburg, 1863; Montour, 1864; Perry, 1865-66; Luzerne, 1867-68; Blockhouse, 1869; Dushore, 1870-72; Hagerstown Circuit, 1873; Marysville, 1874; Port Trevorton, 1875-76; Loganville, 1877-78; Baltimore Circuit, 1879-80; White Ground, 1881; Milesburg, 1882;

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- Milesburg, 1883; Sugar Valley, 1884-85; Williamsport (St. John), 1886-87; Williamsport (Market Street), 1888; superannuated, 1889; died, 1890.
- MOUNTZ, S. M.—Big Spring Circuit, 1882; Leesburg, 1883-84; Center Circuit, 1885; Juniata Circuit, 1886-88; granted credentials to the Lutheran Church, 1888.
- MOWRER, B. K.—Dorsey, 1911; Hanover Circuit, 1912-13; located, 1914; credentials granted, 1921.
- MUSSELMAN, S. O.—Nittany Valley, 1875; located; granted credentials to the Pittsburgh Conference, 1892.
- MUSSER, SABASTIAN—Schuylkill Circuit, 1835; Lycoming, 1836-37; Lykens Circuit, 1838; Columbia, 1839; (no record, 1840-55); Clinton, 1856-57; Middle Creek, 1850-59; Lycoming, 1860; located; died, 1886.
- NOECKER, JOHN—Columbia, 1840; no further record.
- ORWIG, W. W.—Center, 1828; Lebanon, 1829-30; York Circuit, 1931; Schuylkill Circuit, 1832; Presiding Elder, Zion District, 1833-35; Moriah District, 1836; editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, 1836-43; York Station, 1844-45; Baltimore Station, 1846-47; Baltimore Mission, 1848-49; editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, 1850-55; principal of Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., 1856-59; elected bishop, 1859-63; editor of *Der Christliche Botschafter*, 1863-67; publisher, 1867; moved to Cleveland, Ohio, and became a member of the Ohio Conference; died at Cleveland, Ohio, May 29, 1889.
- ORWIG, P. S.—Lycoming, 1860; Lock Haven Circuit, 1870; Luzerne, 1871-72; Wyoming, 1873-74; Kingston, 1875-76; Danville, 1877; Shrewsbury, 1878-80; Newport and Marysville, 1881-82; superannuated, 1883; died, 1890.
- PANDEL, F. C.—Shrewsbury, 1862; Liverpool, 1863; Conewago, 1864; Harford, 1865; located, 1866.
- PETERS, J. H.—Lycoming, 1876; Center, 1877-78; Danville, 1878-80; Hughesville, 1881; located, 1882-87; granted credentials to a Western Conference, 1888.
- PETTIT, J. T.—Mt. Holly Springs, 1899-1900; Newport, 1901-03; Carlisle, 1904-07; Baltimore (Memorial), 1908-10; York (Trinity), 1911-14; Red Lion, 1915-19; Baltimore (Memorial), 1920; located, 1921-38; died, May 20, 1938.
- PFEIFER, GEO.—Indiana Circuit, 1851; went west.
- PINES, I. M.—Gettysburg, 1861; Montour, 1862; Luzerne 1863-64; Cherry, 1865-66; Wyoming, 1867; Milton, 1868; Lewisburg, 1869-71; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1872-74; Carlisle, 1875; Perry, 1876-78; Union Circuit, 1879-80; Columbia, 1881-83; Buffalo, 1884-86; Presiding Elder, Center District, 1887-90; Buffalo, 1891; Washingtonville, 1892-93; located, 1894; Nittany Valley, 1895; located, 1896; Hanover Circuit, 1906-07; Cumberland, 1908; Milton Circuit, 1909; superannuated, 1910; died, December 3, 1922.
- PLANNET, W.—Virginia Circuit, 1845; Indiana Circuit, 1846.
- POLING, W. B.—Morgan Circuit, 1851; transferred to Pittsburgh Conference.

- PORTZLINE, CARL E.—East Point, 1926; located, 1927; died, October 4, 1928.
- PRESSLER, W.—Clarion, 1850-51; transferred to Pittsburgh Conference.
- PRICE, A. C.—Williamsport (Grace), 1901-04; Dorsey, 1905; Penns Creek, 1906; New Berlin, 1907; Middleburg, 1908-12; Burnham, 1913-14; died, February 26, 1914.
- PRICE, H. R.—Lycoming, 1852; Shrewsbury, 1853; Baltimore Circuit, 1854; Shrewsbury, 1855; Lock Haven Circuit, 1856; Clinton, 1857; Blockhouse, 1858; Lycoming, 1859; Williamsport, 1860-61; York Circuit, 1862-63; Cumberland, 1864-65; Boalsburg, 1866-67; moved west.
- PRICE, JAMES M.—Columbia, 1867-68; Wyoming, 1869; Bendersville, 1870-72; Liverpool, 1873-74; Center, 1875-76; McClure, 1877-78; Luzerne, 1879-80; Libery, 1881-82; Wayland, 1883-85; Jersey Shore, 1886-87; White Deer, 1888-90; Red Lion, 1891-93; Craleyville, 1894-95; Grover, 1896-98; Millmont, 1899-1901; Nittany Valley, 1902-05; Bloersville, 1906-09; Mexico, 1910-13; superannuated, 1914; died, 1916.
- PROBST, JACOB—Center Circuit, 1840; located.
- RAIDABAUGH, P. W.—Block House, 1869; Columbia, 1870; Buffalo, 1871; Glen Rock, 1872-74; White Deer, 1875; Danville, 1876; North Danville, 1877; Danville, 1878; located, 1879; York (King Street), 1880-82; Presiding Elder, Lewisburg District, 1883; resigned the office of Presiding Elder, 1884; editor of *The Living Epistle*, and English Sunday-school Literature, 1883-87, Cleveland, Ohio; transferred to the Ohio Conference.
- RANK, JACOB—Crawford, 1838; Somerset, 1839; Indiana, 1840; Bedford, 1841; Warren, 1842-43; Clarion, 1844-45; Indiana Circuit, 1846; Somerset, 1847-48; Indiana Circuit, 1849-50; Bedford, 1851; transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference, 1852.
- RARICK, ADAM—Lycoming, 1860; Cherry, 1861-62; Blockhouse, 1863-64; Shrewsbury, 1865; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1866-67; York (Queen Street), 1868; Washington, D. C., 1869; Baltimore, (McEldery Street), 1870; Union Circuit, 1871-72; Jersey Shore, 1873-75; went to the Pittsburgh Conference, 1876; returned to Central Pennsylvania Conference, 1888; Brush Valley, 1888-89; East Liberty, 1890-91; located, 1892; went to the East Pa. Conference; died, 1905.
- REAM, H. H.—Liverpool, 1867; Middle Creek, 1868; York Circuit, 1869-70; Hagerstown Circuit, 1871-72; Dushore, 1873; Wilmot, 1874-75; located, 1876; withdrew from the Church.
- REDEKER, C. E.—Milton Circuit, 1898; Baltimore, 1899; Hebbville, 1900-02; Morgan Circuit, 1903; credentials granted, 1904.
- REED, I. Y.—Perry, 1863; Gettysburg, 1864-65; Big Spring, 1866-67; Cumberland, 1868-69; located, 1870; withdrew from the Church.
- REESER, A. L.—Columbia, 1853; Shrewsbury, 1854; Luzerne, 1855; Union, 1856; Cumberland, 1857-58; Perry, 1859; York (Queen Street), 1860-61; Union, 1862-63; located, 1864-68; Conewago, 1869; Lock Haven Circuit, 1870; Jersey Shore, 1871; Presiding Elder, Carlisle District, 1872-74;

Lewisburg District, 1875-78; Williamsport District, 1878-82; located, 1883; died, 1906.

REESER, J. C.—Cumberland, 1877; Nittany Valley, 1878; Newberry, 1879-80; Williamsport (Bennett Street), 1881-83; Hagerstown, 1884-86; Newport and Patterson, 1887-88; Big Spring, 1889-90; Carlisle, 1891-93; Hagerstown, 1894; Berwick, 1895-98; York (Trinity), 1899-1902; Presiding Elder, Carlisle District, 1903-06; Center District, 1907-10; Lewistown (Grace), 1911-14; Berwick (North), 1915-18; York (St. Paul), 1919; Hanover, 1920-21; Burnham, 1922-26; superannuated, 1927; died, June 11, 1930.

REESER, WM.—Lycoming, 1844; Buffalo, 1845; Perry, 1846; located, 1847-63; Harford, 1864; Conewago, 1865-66; Hagerstown Circuit, 1867; located, 1868; withdrew from the Church.

REICHARD, L. S.—Wrightsville, 1890-92; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1893-96; Baltimore (Grace), 1897-1900; Glen Rock, 1901-04; Lewisburg, 1905; granted credentials to Presbyterian Church, 1906.

REITMIRE, W. F.—Jersey Shore, 1873; located.

REMER, S. P.—Hughesville, 1868; Orangeville, 1869-70; Glen Rock, 1871; Leesburg, 1872-73; Columbia, 1874-76; Dushore, 1877-78; Milton, 1879-80; located, 1881; Bloomsburg, 1882-84; White Deer, 1885; located, 1886-87; Lewistown, 1888-90; Newport and Marysville, 1890-92; Baltimore, (Memorial), 1893; Alberton, 1894-97; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1898; Presiding Elder, Center District, 1899-1901; Williamsport District, 1902-05; Center District, 1906; Lemoyne, 1907-08; Hanover, 1909-10; Red Lion, 1911-14; Juniata, 1915-19; superannuated, 1920-23; died, September 14, 1924.

RHOADS, W. W.—Lycoming, 1870; Hughesville, 1871-72; Luzerne, 1873-74; Wyoming, 1875-77; Columbia, 1878-80; Shrewsbury, 1881-83; Milmont, 1884-86; Perry, 1887-88; Leesburg, 1889-91; Hebbville, 1892-93; New Berlin, 1894-96; Center Hall, 1897-1900; Grover, 1901; Dillsburg, 1902-03; Mexico, 1904-06; Howard, 1907-10; West Nanticoke, 1911; Lopez, 1912-14; died, March 31, 1914.

RICKER, JOHN H.—Hanover Circuit, 1908-10; Lewisberry, 1911-12; New Berlin, 1913-15; McClure Circuit, 1916; Williamsport Circuit, 1917-19; Lock Haven Mission, 1920-23; Hellam, 1924; Danville, 1925-26; Columbia Circuit, 1927-29; located, 1930; died, October 28, 1938.

RISHEL, DAVID—Columbia, 1842; Clarion, 1843; Somerset, 1844; Union, 1845-46; Pittsburgh Mission, 1847; died, 1848.

RISHEL, P. H.—York Circuit, 1864; Lock Haven Circuit, 1865; Center, 1866; Blockhouse, 1867-68; Columbia, 1869-70; York Circuit, 1871-72; Prospect, 1873-74; Lycoming, 1875-76; Lock Haven, 1877; moved to Kansas, 1878.

ROLAND, HENRY—Center, 1839; Somerset, 1840-41; Union, 1842-43; Columbia, 1844; Center, 1845; Pittsburgh Mission, 1846; Union, 1847; York Circuit, 1848; York (Queen Street), 1849; went West.

RUMBERGER, D. P.—Baltimore Circuit, 1871; Liberty, 1872; Center, 1873; Sugar Valley, 1874; transferred to the Michigan Conference.

RUNYAN, R. W.—Conewago Circuit, 1872; Cumberland Circuit, 1873; Perry Circuit, 1874; no record, 1875; Millerstown Circuit, 1876; Hughesville,

1877; located, 1878-82; Newport and Marysville, 1883-84; Lewistown, 1885-87; New Berlin, 1888-89; Alberton, 1890; Baltimore (Memorial), 1891-92; credentials to the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1893.

RYDER, J. H.—Dorsey, 1902-04; Grover, 1905-08; Wayland, 1909-12; Glen Rock, 1913-15; York (Zion), 1916-21; Hagerstown, 1922-25; superannuated, 1926; died at Evangelical Home, Lewisburg, June 11, 1927.

SANNER, W. N.—Good Will, 1896; Altoona, 1897; Red Lion, 1898; White Deer, 1890-92; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1903-04; Perry Circuit, 1905; superannuated, 1906-18; Baltimore (St. Paul), 1919; Harford, 1920; superannuated, 1922-33; died in Baltimore, Md., 1934.

SCHAFFER, D. P.—Liverpool, 1891-92; Lewisberry, 1893-94; Sugar Valley, 1895; Millmont, 1896-98; Wellsville, 1899-1901; Blosserville, 1902-03; Craleyville, 1904-07; Bryansville, 1908-09; Idaville, 1910-12; died, February 22, 1912.

SCHLEH, G. H.—Jersey Shore Circuit, 1877-78; Dillsburg, 1879-81; Prospect, 1882-84; Baltimore (Trinity), 1885-87; deposed from the ministry and expelled from the Church, 1888.

SCHLOSSER, NOAH—Virginia Circuit, 1844-45; located, 1846.

SCHNEIDER, GEORGE—Lancaster Circuit, Ohio, 1825; Schuylkill Circuit, 1826; Center Circuit, 1827; Sandusky, 1828; Lancaster Circuit, 1829; Union Circuit, 1830; Lake Circuit, New York, 1931; Shenandoah Circuit, Virginia, 1832; Lycoming Circuit, 1833; Somerset Circuit, 1834; Cumberland Circuit, 1835; located, 1836.

SEARLE, H. T.—Jersey Shore Circuit, 1881; Nittany Valley, 1882; Bendersville, 1883-84; Alberton, 1885-89; New Berlin, 1890-91; Perry, 1892-94; Liverpool, 1895-97; Nittany Valley, 1898-1900; Port Trevorton, 1901-03; Sugar Valley, 1904-06; Mt. Rock, 1907-08; Leesburg, 1909-10; Wrightsville, 1911-14; Lemoyne, 1915-18; superannuated, 1919-34; died at Lancaster, Pa., July 1, 1934.

SECHRIST, J. R.—East Prospect, 1881 (6 months); Cumberland, 1882; Nittany Valley, 1883; Jersey Shore, 1884-85; Liberty, 1886-88; Perry, 1889-91; Cumberland, 1892-94; Howard, 1895-98; Lock Haven Circuit, 1899-1902; Columbia, 1903-04; Center Hall, 1905-08; Bellwood, 1909-12; Dallastown, 1913-16; Burnham, 1917; Mifflin, 1918-21; superannuated, 1922-30; died at Howard, Pa., November 27, 1930.

SEIBERT, J. L. W.—Somerset, 1845; Bedford, 1846-47; Somerset, 1848; Strassburg, 1849-50; Columbia, 1851-52; Cumberland, 1853; elected editor of *The Evangelical Messenger*, 1854; transferred to the Ohio Conference, and later to the **Pittsburg Conference**.

SEIBERT, S. W.—Bedford, 1845; Columbia, 1846; Perry, 1847; located, 1848-51; Blockhouse and Cherry, 1852-53; Shrewsbury, 1854-55; Gettysburg, 1856-57; Franklin, 1858; Gettysburg, 1859-60; Presiding Elder, Susquehanna District, 1861-63; Buffalo Circuit, 1864; Lock Haven Circuit, 1865-66; Lock Haven Mission, 1867-68; Port Trevorton, 1869; Perry, 1870-71; collector for Carlisle church, 1872; Mifflin, 1873-74; Presiding Elder of Carlisle District, 1875; Baltimore District, 1876; York District, 1877-78; Liverpool, 1879-80; located, 1881; Lewistown and Patterson, 1882;

located, 1883; Presiding Elder of Lewisburg District, 1884-86; Carlisle District, 1887; located, 1888-1913; died at Newport, Pa., May 28, 1913, aged 89 years.

SHAFFER, GEO.—Cumberland, 1837; Gettysburg, 1838; Lancaster, 1839; Cumberland, 1840; Union, 1841; Columbia, 1842-43; York Circuit, 1844-45; located, 1846; and withdrew from the Church.

SHAFFER, E. E.—Light Street, 1891-92; Ransom, 1893-96; Zion's Grove, 1897-1900; Columbia Circuit, 1901-02; North Berwick, 1903-06; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1907-10; died, August 8, 1910.

SHAMBACH, JOSHUA—Middleburg, 1876; McClure, 1877-78; East Prospect, 1879-81; Loganville, 1882-83; York (Queen Street), 1884-85; Spring Mills, 1886-88; Lock Haven Circuit, 1889-91; York (Queen Street), 1892-94; Buffalo, 1895-98; Middleburg, 1899-1902; Bloomsburg, 1903-06; Williamsport Circuit, 1907-10; Espy, 1911-14; superannuated, 1915; died at Middleburg, Pa., October 8, 1915.

SHENBERGER, A. W.—Loganville, 1870-71; Jarrettsville, 1872-73; Milton, 1874-76; Columbia and Bloomsburg, 1877; transferred to the Des Moines Conference, 1878; returned to Central Pennsylvania Conference, 1912; Dalls-town, 1912; located, 1913; died, February 18, 1918.

SHERK, N. B.—Jersey Shore Circuit, 1874; located; died, January 17, 1927.

SHERMAN, F. D.—Lewistown (Trinity), 1911; York (Princess Street), 1912-13; Keystone, 1914-15; Liberty, 1916-19; Ransom, 1920-22; Columbia, 1923; withdrew with credentials, 1924.

SHIMP, JACOB—Virginia Circuit, 1844; located, 1845.

SHORTESS, S. I.—Middle Creek Circuit, 1866; Center, 1867; Cherry Circuit, 1868-69; Wyoming, 1870-71; Susquehanna, 1873-74; Marysville, 1875-76; Big Spring, 1877-79; appointed superintendent of Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., July, 1879, to June, 1885; located, 1886-88; Waller, 1889-92; transferred to East Pa. Conference, Sugar Valley, 1893-94; Brush Valley, 1895-96; Liberty and East Point, 1897-1900; Millersburg, 1901-02; superannuated, 1903-10; died at Millersburg, Pa., January 19, 1910.

SHULTZ, I. S.—Juniata Park, 1907-10; located, 1911; withdrew with credentials, 1912.

SHULTZ, J. A.—Liberty, 1913-15; Grover, 1916-17; Center Hall, 1918-19; New Freedom, 1920-22; irregularly withdrew from the Church.

SHULTZ, J. F.—Block House, 1875; Danville, 1876-77; Hughesville, 1878-79; Big Spring, 1880; Leesburg, 1881; Perry, 1882; Chanceford, 1883; Shrewsbury, 1884-85; Waller, 1886; Bloomsburg, 1887-88; Buffalo, Circuit, 1889-90; Jersey Shore, 1891-92; Williamsport Circuit, 1893-95; Newberry 1896; New Berlin, 1897-1900; Center Hall, 1901-04; Howard, 1905-06; Bellwood, 1907-08; Mifflin, 1909-11; superannuated, 1912; died at Watsontown, Pa., January 3, 1918.

SHULTZ, W. K.—Milesburg, 1903-04; Mt. Rock, 1905; Cearfoss, 1906; Mexico, 1907-09; Hebbville, 1910-12; Columbia Circuit, 1913-14; Dushore, 1915; White Deer, 1916-18; Newport, 1919-22; withdrew from the Church, 1923.

- SILL, DANIEL—Somerset, 1842; Bedford, 1843; Indiana, 1844-45; Clarion, 1846-57; located, 1848; Somerset, 1849-50; went to Pittsburgh Conference.
- SINDLINGER, J. M.—Center Circuit, 1834; Columbia, 1835-36; Lancaster Circuit, 1837-38; Presiding Elder of Moriah District, 1839-42; Center, 1843; Clinton, 1844-45; Center, 1846; Buffalo, 1847-48; Lycoming, 1849; Presiding Elder of Allegheny District, 1850-51; went to the newly formed Pittsburgh Conference, 1852.
- SIPE, W. C.—Manchester, 1919; Brooklyn, 1820-23; located, 1924; credentials to the Congregational Church, 1925.
- SLOAT, M.—Montour, 1859; Cumberland, 1860; located, 1861-66; Perry, 1867-68; Union, 1869-70; Center, 1871; Nittany Valley, 1872-74; Center Hall, 1875-76; Buffalo, 1877-78; Liberty, 1879-80; Newberry, 1881-82; Cumberland, 1883-84; died, September, 1884.
- SMITH, GEO. S.—Cumberland Circuit, 1883-84; moved west and later served as Presiding Elder of the Kansas Conference; transferred to the Illinois Conference.
- SMITH, PHILIP A.—Milesburg, 1900-01; Rebersburg, 1902; located.
- SMITH, SAMUEL—Buffalo, 1857; Lycoming, 1858; Cherry, 1859; Wilkes-Barre and Wyoming, 1860-61; Boalsburg, 1862-63; Williamsport (Market Street), 1864-65; York (Queen Street), 1866-67; Lock Haven, 1868-69; Williamsport (Market Street), 1870; Presiding Elder of Williamsport District, 1871-74; Union, 1875-77; Middleburg, 1878-79; Center, 1880; Mifflinburg Circuit, 1881-83; McClure, 1884-85; White Deer, 1886-87; located, 1888-89; Port Trevorton, 1890-92; Middleburg, 1893-94; located, 1895-96; Waller, 1897-98; East Point, 1899-1902; Rebersburg, 1902-04; superannuated, 1905-14; died at Mifflinburg, Pa., March 12, 1915.
- SNYDER, C. B.—West Nanticoke, 1907; East Point, 1908-11; Lycoming, 1912-16; Scranton, 1917; Millheim, 1918-24; Nescopeck, 1925-26; Milton, 1927; excluded from the Church, 1928.
- SNYDER, M. J.—Cumberland, 1881; York Circuit, 1882; Dorsey, 1883; Professor in Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., 1884-86; Seneca Falls, 1887-88; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1889; Lewistown, 1890; located, 1891-1902; Grover, 1903; Howard Circuit, 1904; Spring Mills, 1905-06; Port Trevorton, 1907-10; Howard Circuit, 1911-14; Buffalo, 1915; New Freedom, 1916-19; Manchester, 1920; Dallastown, 1921; Keystone, 1922; superannuated, 1923; died, November 25, 1923.
- SONES, C. L.—Middleburg, 1885; West Clifford, 1886; Dushore, 1887-89; Bloomsburg, 1890-92; Nanticoke, 1893-94; Hughesville, 1895-97; Williamsport Circuit, 1898-1900; Jersey Shore, 1901-06; Red Lion, 1907; Carlisle, 1908-11; York (Grace), 1912-14; Presiding Elder of Center District, 1915-18; York District, 1919-22; York (Princess Street), 1923; Jersey Shore, 1924-25; superannuated, 1926-34; died at York, Pa., December 9, 1934.
- SPANGLER, I. E.—Bernice and Lopez, 1895-98; Red Lion, 1899-1902; Baltimore (Olive Branch), 1903-06; Baltimore (Memorial), 1907; Berwick (Bower Memorial), 1908-11; Milton, 1912-15; Carlisle, 1916-20; Jersey Shore, 1921; Presiding Elder of Carlisle District, 1922-29; East Prospect, 1930-31; died at East Prospect, Pa., August 18, 1931.

- STAHL, W. M.—Dillsburg Circuit, 1905; Williamsport (South), 1906; Keystone, 1907-09; Craleyville, 1910-13; Newport, 1914-18; Glen Rock, 1919-25; Mifflinburg, 1926-29; York (Bethlehem), 1930; died at York, Pa., February 15, 1931.
- STAHLEY, A.—Buffalo, 1850; Warren, 1851; transferred to the Pittsburgh Conference.
- STAMBACH, E.—Bedford, 1844; Center, 1845; York, 1846-47; Center, 1847-48; Clinton, 1849; Lycoming, 1850-51; Union, 1852-53; Clinton, 1854-55; Baltimore (Green Street), 1856-57; Center, 1858-59; York Circuit, 1860-61; Dover Mission, 1862-63; Port Trevorton, 1864-66; Center, 1867-68; Middle Creek, 1869-70; Center, 1871; Sugar Valley, 1872-73; superannuated, 1874-90; died at Aaronsburg, Pa., 1890.
- STAPLETON, AMMON—Center Hall, 1872; Liberty, 1873; Conewago, 1874; Newport, 1875-76; located, 1877; Canton, 1878; East Liberty, 1879-81; Lycoming, 1882; Seneca, 1883-84; Williamsport (Market Street), 1885; York (King Street), 1886-88; Hagerstown, 1889-91; Hughesville, 1892; Berwick, 1893-94; Presiding Elder, Carlisle District, 1895-98; Carlisle District, 1899-1902; Wrightsville, 1903-06; York (St. Paul), 1907-09; Jersey Shore, 1910-13; Williamsport (St. Paul), 1914-16; died at Williamsport, Pa., September 18, 1916.
- STARR, R. S.—Grayville, Illinois Conference, 1909-10; Unityville, 1911; Dushore, 1912-14; Winfield, 1915-19; Berwick (St. Paul), 1920-23; Baltimore (Memorial), 1924-27; Middleburg, 1926-29; died at Middleburg, Pa., December 16, 1929.
- STOKE, H. A.—Middle Creek, 1865; Montour, 1866-67; Danville, 1868-69; Jarrettsville, 1870-71; located, 1872-73; Leesburg, 1874-75; Carlisle, 1876-77; Bendersville, 1878; East Prospect, 1879-80; Milton, 1881-82; Grover, 1883-85; Tunkhannock, 1886-87; Danville, 1888-90; Ransom, 1891-92; Hughesville, 1893-94; White Deer, 1895-97; Hagerstown, 1898; Shrewsbury, 1899-1900; Yorkana, 1901-02; Hebbville, 1903-04; Bryansville, 1905-07; Craleyville, 1908-09; Wellsville, 1910-11; superannuated, 1912-15; died at York, Pa., August 26, 1915.
- STOVER GUY R.—Good Will, 1899-1900; located, 1901-02; granted credentials to the Des Moines Conference, 1903; later to Oregon Conference.
- STOVER, H. C.—Scranton and Sibley, 1899; York (Grace), 1900-01; granted credentials to the Oregon Conference, 1902; credentials to Congregational Church.
- STOVER, I. E. D.—Bellwood, 1914-15; Altoona, 1916-19; Nescopeck, 1920-24; Baltimore (Trinity), 1925-26; York (St. Paul), 1927-29; surrendered his license and withdrew from the Church, 1930.
- STOVER, J. D.—Center, 1878; located, 1879-83; East Liberty, 1884-86; Port Trevorton, 1887-89; Middleburg, 1890-92; Hanover, 1893-94; Lock Haven Circuit, 1895-96; Lycoming, 1897-99; Loganville, 1900-03; Port Trevorton, 1904-05; Buffalo Circuit, 1906-09; Espy, 1910; located, 1911-17; died, November 25, 1918.
- STOVER, W. H.—Boalsburg, 1870-71; located, 1872; Marysville, 1873; Center, 1874; located, 1875-76; Center Hall, 1877-78; Brush Valley, 1879-81;

McClure, 1882-83; Middleburg, 1884-86; New Berlin, 1887; Center, 1888-90; Lycoming, 1891-93; East Point, 1894-95; Brush Valley, 1896-98; Dushore, 1899-1900; Zion's Grove, 1901; Espy, 1902-05; Sonestown, 1906; Salladasburg, 1907-09; Yorkana, 1910-11; Loganville, 1912-14; superannuated, 1914; died, August 15, 1921.

STROUP, C.—Jersey Shore Circuit, 1871; located.

STRUNK, R. W.—Scranton and Sibley, 1900; Mt. Holly Springs, 1901-02; surrendered his license and withdrew from the Church, 1903.

SUMMERVILLE, A.—Columbia, 1862; located and left the Church.

SUTTEN, D. L.—Gettysburg, 1857; located; died, 1867.

SWENGEL, A. W.—Nittany Valley, 1881; Jersey Shore Circuit, 1882; Highlands Mission, 1883-84; located, 1885; Dillsburg, 1886-88; Bloomsburg, 1889; Carlisle, 1890-92; withdrew from the Church, 1893.

SWENGEL, EDWIN—Columbia, 1871; located, 1872; Center, 1873; Prospect, 1874; Conewago, 1875-76; York (King St.), 1877; Cumberland, 1878-79; Seneca Falls, 1880-82; Lewisburg, 1883-84; Newport and Patterson, 1885-86; Lock Haven, 1887-89; located, 1890-96; withdrew from the Church.

SWENGEL, J. G. M.—Cherry, 1864; Buffalo, 1865; Luzerne, 1866; Lycoming, 1867; Carlisle, 1868-69; Cumberland, 1870-71; Shrewsbury, 1872-74; Lewisburg, 1875-76; Lycoming, 1877-78; Port Trevorton, 1879; Sugar Valley, 1880-83; Jersey Shore, 1884; Lock Haven Circuit, 1885; Center Circuit, 1886-87; located, 1888; McClure Circuit, 1889-91; New Berlin, 1892-93; Howard, 1894; located, 1895; transferred to the East Pa. Conference, 1896.

SWENGEL, U. F.—Wyoming, 1867; Columbia, 1868; Perry, 1869; Big Spring, 1870; York (King Street), 1871-73; Lock Haven, 1874-76; Seneca Falls, 1877-79; Presiding Elder of Juniata District, 1880-83; assistant editor of Sunday-school Literature, Cleveland, Ohio, 1884-87; Baltimore (Memorial), 1888-90; York (King Street), 1891-93; Baltimore (Memorial), 1894-97; York (King Street), 1898; Presiding Elder of York District, 1899-1902; Lewisburg District, 1903-06; Lewistown, 1907-10; bishop, 1910-18; Mt. Holly Springs, 1919; superannuated, 1920; died, March 8, 1921.

TERWILLIGER, A. T.—Milton Circuit, 1874; located.

TETER, M. A.—Baltimore (St. John), 1928-30; York (St. Paul), 1931-36; withdrew and surrendered his credentials, 1937.

THOMAS, HENRY—Lebanon Circuit, 1835; Gettysburg Circuit, 1836; Union Circuit, 1837-38; Center Circuit, 1839-40; located, 1841; York Circuit, 1842-43; Loyalsock, 1844-45; located, 1846.

THOMAS, H. W.—West Clifford, 1903-04; Ransom, 1905-06; withdrew with credentials, 1907.

THOMAS, M. S.—Muncy Valley Circuit, 1887-88; located, 1889.

THOMAS, W. P.—Buffalo, 1867-68; located, 1869-1925; died at Lewisburg, Pa., July 14, 1925.

TRUBY, JOSEPH—Union, 1841; Center, 1842; Clarion, 1843; Warren, 1844-45; transferred to the Ohio Conference, 1846.

TRUMPFHELLER, H. H.—Nittany Valley, 1887-88; located, 1889; Emigsville and Manchester, 1905; located, 1906; died, July 27, 1922.

VALLERSCHAMP, AZIMA—Luzerne Mission, 1847; Columbia Circuit, 1848; Cherry Circuit, 1848-50; Perry Circuit, 1851; located, 1852; died at New Berlin, Pa., 1854.

VOUGHT, F. S.—Jersey Shore Circuit, 1879-80; Luzerne, 1881; Bendersville, 1882; Liberty, 1883-85; Grover, 1886-88; Center Hall, 1889; withdrew with credentials, 1890 to the M. E. Church.

WAGONER, CHARLES—Erie Circuit, 1838; Indiana Circuit, 1839; Somerset, 1840; located, 1841.

WAGONER, PHILIP—Canton Circuit, Ohio, 1822; Lancaster Circuit, Ohio, 1823; Union and Center, 1824; Franklin and Berkeley, 1825; Center, 1826; Presiding Elder, Salem District, 1827; Lake Circuit, New York, 1828; located, 1829-30; Center, 1831-32; Presiding Elder, Carmel District, 1833-34; Salem District, 1835-37; Zion District, 1838-41; Salem District, 1842-43; Susquehanna District, 1844-45; Baltimore District, 1846; Somerset District, 1847-48; Center District, 1849; Canton, 1850-51; Lycoming, 1852; Center, 1853; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1854; Center District, 1855-57; Boalsburg, 1858; Presiding Elder, Susquehanna District, 1859-60; Harford, 1861; Williamsport, 1862-63; Clinton, 1864-65; Center, 1866; Lock Haven, 1867; Boalsburg, 1868; Williamsport, 1869-70; died, 1870, at Williamsport, Pa.

WALKER, R. C.—York (Christ), 1902; White Deer, 1903; Mechanicsburg, 1904-07; located to attend Princeton Seminary, 1908; credentials to the Presbyterian Church, 1911.

WALLIS, W. N.—Bendersville, 1873; Middleburg, 1874; Hughesville, 1875-76; Dillsburg Circuit, 1877-78; Dushore, 1879; Danville, 1880-82; Nittany Valley, 1883-85; Williamsport Circuit, 1886-88; Millmont, 1889-90; Patterson, 1891-93; Lewistown, 1894; located, 1895-96; Jersey Shore, 1897-1900; New Berlin, 1901-02; Lock Haven Circuit, 1903-06; Danville, 1907-09; Berwick (West), 1910; New Freedom, 1911-12; Yoe and Freysville, 1913-15; Pennsdale, 1916; Avis, 1917-18; Jersey Shore Mission, 1919-22; died December 14, 1922.

WALTER, MOSES—Lycoming, 1859; Middle Creek, 1860-61; Baltimore Circuit, 1862-63; Center, 1865; Lycoming, 1866-67; York Circuit, 1868-69; died at Yorkana, Pa., 1869.

WALTON, M.—Columbia Circuit, 1869; located, and died in 1870.

WEIDEMEYER, P. C.—East Prospect, 1876; Middleburg, 1877; Mifflinburg Circuit, 1878-80; Center Circuit, 1881-82; Brush Valley, 1883-85; Lock Haven Circuit, 1886-88; Sugar Valley, 1889-91; McClure Circuit, 1892-95; Loganville, 1896-99; Lycoming, 1900-03; White Deer, 1904-07; Loganville, 1908-11; Yorkana, 1912-15; Yoe and Freysville, 1916-20; Harford, 1921-25; superannuated, 1926; died at Hebbville, Maryland, July 13, 1932.

WEIKEL, JACOB—Venango Circuit, 1848; located.

WEIRICK, GEORGE—Bedford, 1842; Columbia, 1843-44; Cumberland, 1845; Washington Circuit, 1846; Center, 1847; Presiding Elder Allegheny District, 1848; resigned his office, 1849; York Circuit, 1849; died, March 13, 1850.

WEIRICK, W. E., Conewago, 1873; located.

WELCH, JAMES H.—Wayland, N. Y., 1882; Jersey Shore Circuit, 1883; Nittany, 1884; Milesburg, 1885-87; Hagerstown Circuit, 1888; Keystone, 1889-90; White Deer, 1891-92; Liverpool, 1893-94; Lewisberry, 1895-96; Wellsville, 1897-98; located, 1899-1904; Berkeley Springs, W. Va., 1905-08; Lycoming Circuit, 1908-11; East Point, 1912-15; Yorkana, 1916-20; Mexico, 1921-25; Mt. Rock, 1926; superannuated, 1927; died, November 2, 1938.

WHITEHEAD, C. A.—Transferred from the New England Conference, 1925; Wayland, 1925-33; credentials to the New York Conference, 1933.

WHITMIRE, J. G.—Waller, 1892; Scranton (Trinity), 1893-96; Danville, 1897; superannuated, 1898; died at Bloomsburg, Pa., 1900.

WILSON, E. B.—Franklin, 1852-53; Gettysburg, 1854-55; Perry, 1856; Liverpool, 1857; Columbia, 1858-59; Shrewsbury, 1860; Cumberland, 1861; withdrew and united with the Reformed Church.

WILSON, R. E.—Stuben, 1895; Supply, 1896; located to attend college, 1897-1901; Susquehanna, 1902; located, 1903; Stuben, 1904-05; Mt. Rock, 1906; York (Bethany), 1907-08; granted credentials to the M. E. Church, 1909.

WINTER, ABRAHAM A.—Lafayette, Ore., 1899-1900; Dallas, Ore., 1901-04; Portland, Ore., 1905-08; president, Dallas College, Oregon, 1909-12; Salem, Ore., 1913-15; superintendent, Evangelical Home and Orphanage, Lewisburg, Pa., 1916-38; died, October 26, 1938.

WINTER, W. N.—Baltimore (St. Matthew's), 1922-25; located, 1926; granted credentials to the Atlantic Conference, 1927.

WOLF, AARON—Union, 1842; Center, 1843-44; Pittsburgh Mission, 1845; located, 1846-48; Union, 1849; located, 1850.

WOLF, SIMON—Columbia, 1846; Perry, 1847; Bedford, 1848; Lycoming, 1849; York Circuit, 1850; Luzerne Mission, 1852; Wilkes-Barre Mission, 1853; agent for Union Seminary, 1854-57; York (Queen Street), 1858; located, 1859; agent for Union Seminary, 1860; Lewisburg, 1861-62; agent for Union Seminary, 1863; Presiding Elder, Susquehanna District, 1864-65; Center District, 1866-1867; located 1868; left the Church and united with the Reformed Church.

WOMELDORF, J.—Cumberland, 1886-87; Bendersville, 1888-89; Hanover Circuit, 1890; Dillsburg, 1891-92; Bloomsburg, 1893-94; Danville, 1895-96; Scranton, Sibly, 1897-98; Bellefonte, 1899-1900; Patterson, 1901-02; Middleburg, 1903-04; Williamsport Circuit, 1905-06; Sonestown, 1907; Nuremberg, 1908-11; Buffalo Circuit, 1912-14; Espy, 1915; Rebersburg, 1916-18; Loganville, 1919-22; Alberton, 1923-24; Idaville, 1925; Mt. Holly and Idaville, 1926-27; superannuated, 1928; died at York, Pa., September 23, 1936.

YEAGER, C. F.—Lairdsville, 1873-74; Bendersville, 1875-76; located and moved West.

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- YEAKEL, I. C.—Prof. in Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa., 1879-84; Marysville, 1885-87; York Circuit, 1888; East Prospect, 1889-90; Baltimore (Grace), 1891-93; withdrew to unite with the Presbyterian Church, 1894; died at Carlisle, Pa., 1918.
- YERICK, SAMUEL—Clinton, 1870; Middleburg, 1871-73; Center, 1874; McClure, 1875; Williamsport (Market Street), 1876-78; York Circuit, 1879-81; Whiteground, 1882-84; Red Lion, 1885-86; superannuated, 1887; died at Madisonburg, Pa., 1892.
- YOUNG, ABRAHAM—Lycoming, 1846; died in Union County, 1846.
- YOUNG, G. W. F.—Cherry Circuit, 1850; York Circuit, 1851; Union, 1852-53; York Circuit, 1854; Baltimore, 1855-56; York Circuit, 1857; Baltimore Mission, 1858; died in Baltimore, Md., 1858.
- YOUNG, J. M.—Cumberland, 1846; Gettysburg, 1847-48; Columbia, 1849-50; Buffalo, 1851-52; Perry, 1853-54; Columbia, 1855-56; Union, 1857-58; Cumberland, 1859-60; Perry, 1861; Baltimore (Green Street), 1862-63; Presiding Elder, Center District, 1864-65; Baltimore District, 1866-67; Lycoming, 1868; Boalsburg, 1869-70; Marysville, 1871-72; superannuated, 1873; died in Luzerne County, 1875.
- YOUNG JACOB—Buffalo, 1852; Gettysburg, 1853; Columbia, 1854; Blockhouse and Cherry, 1855; Cherry Circuit, 1856; Boalsburg, 1857; Cumberland, 1858; Union, 1859; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1860-61; Center District, 1862-63; York (Queen Street), 1864-65; Williamsport (Market Street), 1866-67; Presiding Elder, Baltimore District, 1868-69; Susquehanna District, 1870; Baltimore District, 1871; editor of *The Living Epistle* and Sunday-school Literature, October, 1871-75; corresponding secretary of the Missionary Society, October, 1875-March, 1877; Port Trevorton, 1877-78; Williamsport Circuit, 1879; Lock Haven, 1880-81; Williamsport (Market Street), 1882-84; Lewisburg, 1885-87; Buffalo, 1887-88; Williamsport (Market Street), 1889-91; located and transferred to the East Pa. Conference, 1892; died at Williamsport, Pa., 1895.
- YOUNG, JOHN—Schuylkill Circuit, 1831; Lycoming, 1832; Center, 1833; Union, 1834; Lycoming, 1835; Lebanon Circuit, 1836; Somerset, 1837; Cumberland, 1838; Lycoming, 1839; located, 1840-56; Columbia, 1857; Clinton, 1858-59; Liverpool, 1860; Lycoming, 61; died at Crescent, Pa., 1873.
- YOUNG, NOAH—York Circuit, 1871-72; Baltimore Circuit, 1873-75; Liberty, 1876-78; McClure, 1879-81; Brush Valley, 1882; Port Trevorton, 1883-85; McClure, 1886-88; Loganville, 1889-90; Millersville, 1891-93; Center, 1894; Presiding Elder of Carlisle District, 1895-98; Lewisburg District, 1899-1902; Lewistown, 1903-06; Wrightsville, 1907-10; Berwick (North), 1911-14; Mifflinburg, 1915-18; Danville, 1919-20; superannuated, 1921-23; died at Port Trevorton, Pa., April 14, 1923.
- YOUNG, REUBEN—Liberty Circuit, 1871; Port Trevorton, 1872; Center Hall, 1873-74; Sugar Valley, 1875-77; Nittany Valley, 1878-79; Williamsport Circuit, 1880-82; Lycoming, 1883-84; located, 1885-1902; died at Williamsport, Pa., 1903.

ZEHNER, GEORGE E.—Center, 1868-69; Shrewsbury, 1870-71; Lewisburg, 1872-73; Baltimore (English Mission), 1874; Dushore, 1875-76; Marysville, 1877-78; Newport and Patterson, 1879-80; Lewistown and Patterson, 1881; White Deer, 1882; Carlisle, 1883-84; New Berlin, 1885-86; Hagers-town, 1887-88; Newport and Marysville, 1889; Patterson, 1890; Berwick, 1891-92; Bellefonte, 1893-96; located, 1897; East Prospect, 1898; Wrights-ville, 1899; superannuated, 1900-02; died at York, Pa., 1902.

ZIMMERMAN, J.—Shrewsbury, 1857; York Circuit, 1858; Baltimore Cir-cuit, 1859; located, 1860.

ZULAUF, M.—Buffalo, 1848; Union, 1849; Lycoming, 1850; Gettysburg Circuit, 1851; Blockhouse, 1852-53; Wilkes-Barre Mission, 1854-55; Block-house, 1856-57; Perry Circuit, 1858; Harford, 1859-60; Shrewsbury, 1861; Clinton, 1862-63; Boalsburg, 1864-65; York Circuit, 1866-67; Baltimore (McEldery Street), 1868-69; died at Baltimore, Md., February, 1870.

CHAPTER VIII

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSIONS, 1839-1891

1839

The seventh session of the General Conference, which convened March 15, 1839, in the Musser church, three miles west of Millheim, Center County, Pennsylvania, made the following changes in Conference boundaries:

"I. Caanan, Philadelphia and Moriah Districts of the Eastern Conference, including that part of Pennsylvania east of the Susquehanna River, and New York as far north as Buffalo, and upper Canada shall constitute the East Pennsylvania Conference.

"II. Zion and Salem Districts of the Eastern Conference, and Carmel District of the Western Conference, embracing all of that territory west of the Susquehanna and West Branch Rivers, Carroll County and Washington County, Maryland, the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia, as far south as Woodstock, together with several counties in what is now West Virginia along the Potomac River, which constituted the West Pennsylvania Conference.

"III. The Sandusky and Tabor Districts of the Western Conference, including the greater part of Ohio, and extending into Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan, shall constitute the Ohio Conference."

It should be noted that the territory allocated to the West Pennsylvania Conference, included much of the territory in which the revered founder of our church, Rev. Jacob Albright, preached, and did much of his pioneer work and organizing "Classes" among which was the "Lawver's Class" which he organized in 1803, and which organization has been maintained down to the present day, and which is possibly the oldest congregation of the Evangelical Church.

1840

The first annual session of the newly formed West Pennsylvania Conference convened at New Berlin, Pa., April 8, 1840, with the first newly-elected bishop of the Church, John Seybert, presiding.

At this first session of the West Pennsylvania Conference, it was found that by the elective division of the itinerant preachers, the conference was at considerable disadvantage, as a large majority of the preachers elected to go to the East Pennsylvania and Ohio Conferences.

Father Henry Bucks who was one of the first three presiding elders of the conference, writing reminiscently in an article which appeared in *The Living Epistle* of February, 1883, says:

"We had a great lack of preachers, so that we were unable to supply all the fields. Some received only one preacher, where more were needed, and some

had to do with unordained preachers. I never was present at a stationing committee, which was so soon through with its work. It took only about three hours. I remember well when the bishop read off the appointments the next day some of the presiding elders wept over the small handful of brethren that was allotted to their care.

"The conference passed a resolution to appoint a day of fasting and prayer, to plead with the Head of the Church to send out more laborers. The Fourth of July was the day appointed. We had public worship, and the day was observed throughout the whole conference district. The result was a happy one. At the next conference we were enabled to supply all our fields, some of our spiritual sons and some local preachers stepped into the ranks of the itinerancy."

Twenty-five preachers were present at this first session. George Brickley was appointed secretary. The conference territory was divided into three Presiding Elder Districts and stationed as follows:

ZION DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; York and Gettysburg Circuit, John A. Jacobs and John Kauffman; Cumberland Circuit, George Schafer and Moses Bower; Baltimore Mission, Jacob Boas.

SALEM DISTRICT, George Brickley, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, Benjamin Eppley; Columbia Circuit, Alex. Longsdorf and John Noecker; Lycoming Circuit, James Barber; Center Circuit, Henry Thomas and Jacob Probst.

CARMEL DISTRICT, Henry Bucks, Presiding Elder; Franklin Circuit, Daniel Long; Armstrong Circuit, George Dellinger and Samuel Heiss; Indiana Circuit, Jacob Rank; Somerset Circuit, Henry Roland and Charles Wagner; Bedford Circuit, Mathias Hauert.

Henry Thomas was ordained elder, and Jacob Rank and Alex. Longsdorf, deacons. Available statistics of these early years of the conference are rather meager.

1841

The second annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference was held April 7, 1841, at New Berlin, Pa., with Bishop John Seybert presiding; Henry Bucks, secretary. Henry Thomas located. Joseph Truby, John Brickley, Jacob Heiss, Joseph Weber, and Levi Eberhart were newly received. Benjamin Eppley, Adam Ettinger, M. Hauert and George Dellinger were ordained elders. S. Heiss, M. Bower, and H. Roland were ordained deacons. Philip Wagner was reelected presiding elder. The appointments:

ZION DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, A. Ettinger and M. Lehn; Gettysburg Circuit, George Dellinger; Cumberland Circuit, J. A. Jacobs and D. N. Long; Virginia Circuit, M. Bower; Baltimore Mission, J. Boas.

SALEM DISTRICT, George Brickley, Presiding Elder; Columbia Circuit, D. Kehr; Lycoming Circuit, Benjamin Eppley; Union Circuit, George Schaffer and Joseph Truby; Center Circuit, James Barber and Jacob Heiss.

CARMEL DISTRICT, Henry Bucks, Presiding Elder; Bedford Circuit, Jacob Rank; Somerset Circuit, H. Roland and John Brickley; Indiana Circuit,

Alex. Longsdorf and Levi Eberhart; Clarion Circuit, M. Hauert and Joseph Weber; Warren Circuit, Samuel Heiss.

Members newly received, 549; Single salary, \$55.56.

1842

The third session of the West Pennsylvania Conference, convened at New Berlin, Pa., April 6, 1842, with Bishop Seybert presiding; Henry Bucks, secretary. Located: J. A. Jacobs and Joseph Weber. Died: Samuel Witt. Newly received: Daniel Sill, Aaron Wolf, David Rishel, George Weirick, James Dunlap, and Peter Heiss. Ordained elders: Jacob Rank, and Alex. Longsdorf. Deacons: Moses McLehn. George Brickley resigned the office of Presiding Elder. Adam Ettinger and Daniel Kehr were elected to the office of Presiding Elder. Henry Bucks was transferred to the East Pennsylvania Conference, and Samuel Heiss to the Ohio Conference.

The Stationing Committee reported as follows:

ZION DISTRICT, Adam Ettinger, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, H. Thomas and J. Edger; Gettysburg Circuit, Geo. Dellinger; Cumberland Circuit, Jacob Boas, James Dunlap and Peter Heiss; Virginia Circuit, M. Bower; Baltimore Station, Charles Hammer; Baltimore County Mission, L. Eberhart; York Mission, George Brickley.

SALEM DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, H. Roland and Aaron Wolfe; Columbia Circuit, Geo. Schaffer and David Rishel; Lycoming Circuit, Alex. Longsdorf and Simon McLehn; Center Circuit, James Barber and Joseph Truby.

CARMEL DISTRICT, Daniel Kehr, Presiding Elder; Somerset Circuit, John Brickley and Daniel Sill; Bedford Circuit, Moses Lehn and George Weirick; Indiana Circuit, Benj. Eppley; Warren Circuit, Jacob Rank; Clarion Circuit, M. Hauert and Jacob Heiss.

1843

The fourth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Letort (Kutz's), church, Cumberland County, April 5, 1843. Bishop Seybert presided; Charles Hammer, secretary. Thirty-three members were present. Jacob Heiss located. Newly received: Geo. Cupp, Uriah Eberhart and John Hanshaw. Ordained Deacons: Levi Eberhart, John Brickley, Simon McLehn, Aaron Wolf, Joseph Truby, James Dunlap, John Edgar, Daniel Eckert and Samuel Strohm. Elders: H. Roland, Moses Bower, and D. N. Long. The Stationing Committee reported as follows:

ZION DISTRICT, Adam Ettinger, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, H. Thomas and P. Heiss; York Mission, George Brickley; Gettysburg Circuit, M. Bower; Perry Circuit, James Dunlap; Cumberland Circuit, Jacob Boas and Fred. Miller; Washington Circuit, Md., George Dellinger; Virginia Circuit, D. N. Long; Baltimore Station, Chas. Hammer; Baltimore County Mission, Moses McLehan.

SALEM DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, H. Roland and James Barber; Columbia Circuit, Geo. Schaeffer and Geo. Weirick; Center Circuit, J. M. Sindlinger and A. Wolf; Lycoming Circuit, Alex. Longsdorf and Benj. Epply.

CARMEL DISTRICT, Daniel Kehr, Presiding Elder; Bedford Circuit, J. Edger and D. Sill; Indiana Circuit, J. Brickley; Somerset Circuit, Simon McLehn and Uriah Eberhart; Clarion, Joseph Trubt and David Rishel; Warren Circuit, Jacob Rank; Pittsburg Mission, Levi Eberhart.

1844

The fifth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in Millheim, Center County, Pa., with forty members present. The bishops, Seybert and Long were both present. Bishop Seybert conducted the opening service, after which Bishop Long took the chair and appointed Geo. Brickley secretary and W. W. Orwig assistant.

Newly received: Emanuel Kohr, Wm. Reeser, Benj. Hess, Conrad Link, Elias Stambach, and Noah Schlosser. Ordination text of Bishop Long, 1 Timothy 4: 16. Ordained deacons: Geo. Weirick, David Rishel, and Daniel Sill. Charles Hammer and Alex. Longsdorf were elected presiding elders. Potomac District was formed.

The appointments were as follows:

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Charles Hammer, Presiding Elder; Baltimore, George Brickley; Baltimore Circuit, Joseph Dick; Gettysburg Circuit, J. Boas and E. Kohr; Washington, Md., Circuit, D. N. Long; York Station, W. W. Orwig; York Circuit, Geo. Schaeffer and M. McLehn; Cumberland, M. Bower and Levi Hummelsheim.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Clinton Circuit, J. M. Sindlinger; Union Circuit, James Barber and J. C. Link; Columbia, H. Roland and Geo. Weirick; Lycoming, Benj. Epply and Wm. Reeser; Center, A. Wolf and Benj. Hess; Perry Circuit, J. Dunlap and Geo. Dellinger; Loyalsock, Henry Thomas.

POTOMAC DISTRICT, Daniel Kehr, Presiding Elder; Pittsburgh Mission, Levi Eberhart; Bedford Circuit, J. Edger and E. Stambach; Westmoreland, Uriah Eberhart; Somerset, D. Rishel and P. Heiss; Virginia Circuit, J. Shimp and N. Schlosser.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, Alex. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Indiana Circuit, Daniel Sill and Geo. Cupp; Clarion, Jacob Rank and S. McLehn; Warren Circuit, Joseph Truby.

1845

The sixth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in York, Pa., March 12, 1845. Bishop J. Long, presided. Charles Hammer was appointed secretary.

Ordained elders: Aaron Wolf, James Dunlap, Levi Eberhart, Simon McLehn, and Joseph Truby. Ordained deacons: Peter Heiss, Uriah Eberhart, and Levi Hummelsheim. Newly received: J. L.

W. Seibert and Wm. Plannett. Benjamin Eppley was granted credentials to the Illinois Conference.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Charles Hammer, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, Jacob Boas; York Circuit, Geo. Shaffer and J. C. Link; Cumberland, M. Bower and Geo. Weirick; Gettysburg Circuit, J. A. Jacobs and Levi Hummelsheim; Washington, Md., D. N. Long; Strassburgh, George Brickley; York Station, W. W. Orwig.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, David Rishel and Joseph Dick; Center Circuit, H. Roland and Elias Stambach; Clinton, J. M. Sindlinger; Lycoming, P. Heiss and Benj. Hess; Columbia, James Dunlap; Buffalo, James Barber and Wm. Reeser; Loyalsock, H. Thomas; Perry Circuit, Geo. Dellinger and E. Kohr.

POTOMAC DISTRICT, Daniel Kehr, Presiding Elder; Bedford Circuit, S. McLehn and Jacob Bower; Somerset, J. Edger and J. L. W. Seybert; Westmoreland, U. Eberhart and J. C. Fulton; Virginia Circuit, N. Schlosser and W. Plannett; Pittsburgh Mission, Aaron Wolf.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, Alex. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Indiana Circuit, Daniel Sill and G. J. Frey; Clarion, Jacob Rank and Geo. Cupp; Venango Circuit, Levi Eberhart; Warren, Joseph Truby.

There were forty-two members present at this session.

1846

The seventh annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference met in New Berlin, Pa., with forty-two members present, March 18, 1846. In the absence of the bishop, Philip Wagner was elected president *pro tem*. J. Boas was appointed secretary and Geo. Brickley and J. C. Link, assistants. Bishop Seybert arrived later and presided.

Located: Geo. Shaffer, J. E. Fulton, N. Schlosser, J. Bower, H. Thomas, A. Wolf and J. Edger. Newly received: M. J. Carothers, L. D. Brown, S. Wolf, J. B. Cox, C. Miller, S. W. Seybert, Abram Young, Charles Lindeman and D. Kramer. Ordained elders: G. Weirick and D. Rishel. Deacons: J. C. Link, Geo. Cupp, E. Kohr, E. Stambach, N. Schlosser, B. Hess, and P. Smith. J. Truby was transferred to the Ohio Conference.

Moses Bower was elected presiding elder.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, W. W. Orwig; York Circuit, Geo. Brickley and E. Stambach; York Station, J. Boas; Gettysburg Circuit, Levi Hummelsheim and J. B. Cox; Washington Circuit, Geo. Weirick; Cumberland Circuit, U. Eberhart and J. M. Young; Strassburg, Geo. Dellinger.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, Chas. Hammer, Presiding Elder; Clinton Circuit, D. Kehr; Union Circuit, D. Rishel and Benj. Hess; Center Circuit, J. M. Sindlinger and Joseph Dick; Lycoming Circuit, L. Eberhart and Abram Young; Buffalo Circuit, J. Barber and D. Kramer; Columbia Circuit, J. Dunlap, S. Wolf and S. W. Seybert; Perry Circuit, E. Kohr and Wm. Reeser.

POTOMAC DISTRICT, Moses Bower, Presiding Elder; Bedford Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert and M. J. Carothers; Westmoreland, D. N. Long; Somerset Circuit, P. Heiss and L. D. Brown; Virginia Circuit, G. Cupp and C. Miller.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, Alex. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Indiana Circuit, J. Rank and W. Plannett; Pittsburgh Mission, H. Roland; Clarion Circuit, D. Sill and C. Lindeman; Warren, J. C. Link; Venango Circuit, S. McLehn and Geo. J. Foy.

1847

The West Pennsylvania Conference convened in the eighth annual session in the Letort Spring church, near Carlisle, Pa., March 17, 1847. Bishop Long presided. Chas. Hammer, secretary. J. Boas and J. C. Reisner, assistants. Levi Eberhart and J. M. Young, English secretaries. Forty-four members were present.

Located: Geo. Brickley, S. W. Seybert, Geo. Cupp, and Wm. Reeser. Newly received: J. Kreamer, Levi Kelley, Benj. Hengst, W. B. Gregg, John Bolton, E. B. Wilson, Adam Darby, John McCartney, and Azima Vallerchamp.

Ordained elders: L. Hummelsheim, P. Heiss, Daniel Sill, U. Eberhart, and John Edgar. Deacons: J. L. W. Seybert, Joseph Dick, G. F. Foy, Wm. Reeser, J. M. Young, and Azima Vallerchamp.

Jacob Boas was elected presiding elder. An anti-secret society resolution was adopted.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, W. W. Orwig; York Circuit, E. Stambach and D. Kreamer; York Station, L. Eberhart; Gettysburg Circuit, S. McLehn and J. M. Young; Cumberland, James Dunlap; Franklin Circuit, U. Eberhart and W. B. Gregg; Strassburg, Geo. Dellinger; Virginia Circuit, D. N. Long and Chas. Miller.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, Chas. Hammer, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, H. Roland and J. Kreamer; Clinton D. Kehr; Center, George Weirick and B. Hengst; Lycoming, P. Heiss and Chas. Lindeman; Buffalo Circuit, J. M. Sindlinger and B. Hess; Columbia, E. Kohr and J. Bolton; Perry Circuit, L. Hummelsheim and S. Wolf; Mahantongo, J. Barber; Cherry Circuit, Jos. Dick; Luzerne Mission, Azima Vallerchamp.

SOMERSET DISTRICT, P. Wagner, Presiding Elder; Bedford Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert and Adam Darby; Somerset, J. Rank, M. J. Carothers and L. D. Brown; Pittsburgh Mission, David Rishel.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, Alex. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Indiana Circuit, J. Edger and L. Kelly; Clarion, Daniel Sill and supply; Venango Circuit, Geo. Foy and J. McCartney; Warren, J. C. Link.

1848

The ninth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened with 37 members present in Millheim, Pa., March 15, 1848, with Bishop J. Seybert presiding. W. W. Orwig, secretary, J. C.

Link, assistant. English secretaries, U. Eberhart and J. M. Young. Father Christ. Spangler was voted a seat on the platform.

Newly received: Abraham Kraus, Michael Zulauf, Geo. Hunter, and Jacob Weikel.

Ordained elders: J. C. Link, E. Kohr and B. Hess. Deacons: S. Wolf, C. Lindeman, M. J. Carothers, L. D. Brown, C. Miller, John McCartney and John Bolton.

Geo. Weirick was elected presiding elder. A committee was appointed to formulate rules for making the districts and charges independent of each other in their finances. The organization of an English conference was deferred. A new mission was located in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, Chas. Hammer; York Circuit, H. Roland and D. Kreamer; York Station, L. Eberhart; Gettysburg Circuit, J. M. Young and L. Kelly; Franklin Circuit, Geo. Foy and supply; Cumberland, J. Dunlap and P. Heiss; Virginia Circuit, W. B. Gregg and Geo. Hunter; Strassburg, U. Eberhart; Baltimore Mission, W. W. Orwig.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, D. Kehr and J. Barber; Center Circuit, E. Stambach and B. Hengst; Clinton, Chas. Lindeman and J. Kreamer; Lycoming, A. Longsdorf; Buffalo Circuit, J. M. Sindlinger and M. Zulauf; Columbia, E. Kohr and A. Vallercham; Tuscarora Mission, L. Hummelsheim; Muncy, J. Bolton and A. Kraus; Perry Circuit, M. J. Carothers and S. McLehn.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, Geo. Weirick, Presiding Elder; Bedford, S. Wolf and C. Miller; Somerset, J. Rank and J. L. W. Seybert; Clarion, Geo. Dellinger and L. D. Brown; Indiana, J. D. McCartney; Venango, Jos. Dick and Jacob Weikel; Warren, J. Edger; Pittsburgh Mission, J. C. Link.

1849

The tenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference met in Loganville, Pa., March 14, 1849, with Bishop Joseph Long presiding; W. W. Orwig, secretary, J. Boas and J. C. Link, assistants. English secretaries, Levi Eberhart and J. M. Young.

"WHEREAS, Reports have been received that in many places it has become the custom of members of the Evangelical Association to wear veils, and thereby cause offense, therefore

"*Resolved*, That this conference recommend to our General Conference at its next session, that in our church discipline, to the article on dress be added a paragraph prohibiting among our church members the wearing of veils."

W. W. Orwig resigned as secretary, and Chas. Hammer was appointed. Geo. Weirick resigned the office of presiding elder.

Philip Wagner, Alex. Longsdorf, James Dunlap and Uriah Eberhart were elected presiding elders.

Ordained elders: J. M. Young, A. Vallengschamp, E. Stambach and Joseph Dick. Deacons: Dan. Kreamer, John Kreamer, W. B. Gregg, L. D. Brown and Benj. Hengst. Received into the itinerancy: A. Wolf, D. N. Long, J. McKesson, Wm. Bressler and John Bishof.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Jacob Boas, Presiding Elder; Strassburg Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert and P. Heiss; York Circuit, Geo. Weirick; Gettysburg Circuit, D. Kreamer and Geo. Hunter; Franklin Circuit, G. J. Foy and Levi Kelly; Cumberland, Levi Eberhart; York Station, Henry Roland; Baltimore Station, Chas. Hammer; Baltimore Mission, W. W. Orwig.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, James Dunlap, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, E. Kohr and B. Hengst; Columbia Circuit, J. M. Young, Wm. Bressler and J. McKesson; Perry Circuit, M. J. Carothers and John Kreamer; Cherry Circuit, A. Vallengschamp.

CENTER DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, Dan. Kehr and C. Lindeman; Canton, E. Stambach; Union Circuit, A. Wolf and M. Zulauf; Lycoming Circuit, J. M. Sindlinger and Simon Wolf.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, Alex. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Canton, Geo. Dellinger and J. Weikel; Venango, Geo. Kopp and L. D. Brown; Warren, Jos. Dick; Pittsburgh Mission, J. C. Link.

SOMERSET DISTRICT, Uriah Eberhart, Presiding Elder; Somerset Circuit, D. Sill and John Bolton; Bedford Circuit, D. N. Long and John Bishif; Shenandoah Circuit, W. B. Gregg; Morgan Circuit, Chas. Miller; Indiana Circuit, Jacob Rank.

1850

The eleventh annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference met in New Columbia, Pa., March 13, 1850, with Bishop Joseph Long presiding, Chas. Hammer, secretary, J. C. Link and L. Eberhart, assistants. J. M. Young and J. L. W. Seybert, English secretaries.

Levi Kelly expelled and "G. L." suspended from the ministry. M. J. Carothers, D. N. Long and A. Vallengschamp were appointed as a special committee on Sabbath schools.

Bishop Seybert being present was seated with the presiding bishop.

W. W. Orwig, Chas. Hammer and J. C. Link were appointed a special committee on "The proposed Mission in Germany."

James Barber, P. Wagner, W. W. Orwig, H. Roland and Uriah Eberhart were appointed as a committee on "The proposed Jubilee in our church this year."

C. Miller and A. Wolf located on account of "bodily infirmity." It was reported that George Weirick, while on his way to attend this session of conference, died at Millheim, Pa., yesterday.

P. Wagner resigned as presiding elder, but was retained as a member of the Committee on Boundaries.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by James Dunlap, and adopted:

"From the literary progress and the rapid increase of the sciences and arts of the present age, as well as from the growing desire of nations after civil and religious liberty, it seems evident that the long-wished for period is fast approaching, when all nations shall be made acquainted with the Gospel of Peace; and

"WHEREAS, Education is closely connected with an efficacious ministry and the wants of the church demanding literary institutions; and as by many of our sister churches, praiseworthy and very successful efforts have been put forth for the furtherance of the education of the growing youth, and of sound and useful knowledge; therefore

"Resolved, That this conference establish an academy within the bounds of its territory, and that a committee of five be appointed, viz.: J. Dunlap, J. Boas, U. Eberhart, C. Hammer and W. W. Orwig, whose duty it shall be to endeavor to select a suitable location for said institution, and receive donations and subscriptions for the purpose of carrying out this resolution; and to report to conference at its next session, respecting the success of their efforts, and prospects of the enterprise."

The committee on the proposed "Jubilee Service" reported:

"WHEREAS, The present year is the fiftieth year of 'The Evangelical Association,' Therefore, this conference in accordance with the East Pa. Conference, recommends it as a *jubilee* and requests all preachers and members under its charge to solemnize it by the observance of a general 'Thanksgiving Day' and by contributing largely towards furthering the objects recommended below. In order to accomplish this, the conference recommends the following:

"1. That in conformity with the recommendation of the East Pa. Conference, our bishops appoint said Thanksgiving Day, near the middle of October, next, say, Thursday the 17th.

"2. That on said day, Public Worship be held in all Societies of our conference, in the morning at 10 o'clock, and in the evening, at candlelight, and that all traveling preachers (and local), of this conference shall preach at the time appointed; especially in the forenoon; and in those Societies where there is no Preaching, prayer-meetings shall be held, both morning and evening.

"3. That in the forenoon and evening of said day, at the close of public worship (be it preaching or prayer-meeting), there shall be missionary collections taken up for our home missions.

"4. That subscriptions shall be opened by all preachers in charge of this conference, and kept open until its next session, for the following purposes: (1) For establishing an Academy within this conference district, for the youth of both sexes, such as wish to acquire a higher education than can be attained in common schools; (2) To raise, *One Thousand Dollars* to aid the East Pa. Conference in erecting a Church at the Grave of *Jacob Albright*, the founder of our Association; (3) To raise *One Thousand Dollars* for diminishing the debt resting on the church in York, Pa.

The foregoing report was received and adopted by Conference:

"WHEREAS, It has for some time been much spoken of in our Church, to institute a *Mission in Germany* and as many of given reasons for it seem to be correct: Therefore, this conference concurs with the East Pa. Conference of our Association, if at all practicable; and for its accomplishment recommends the same measures, already recommended by the East Pa. Conference, namely:

"1. That in case sufficient support be raised, and suitable men found, then the Mission in Germany may be proceeded with.

"2. That both our bishops, and a delegate (elect) from each Annual Conference shall form a quorum, in order to establish and provide for said Mission.

"3. That as soon as it can be ascertained, that the project is practicable; then the appointed quorum shall make it known in our periodicals; and give notice for the immediate payment of money subscribed for this purpose.

"4. That each of our preachers in charge, and presiding elders, as well as our bishops, shall be authorized to receive money for this Mission, and to remit the same to the treasurer of The Parent Missionary Society of our Association."

Ordained elders: M. J. Carothers, C. Lindeman, S. Wolf, and G. J. Foy. Deacons: Geo. Hunter, and J. Kaufman. W. H. Berry was licensed. D. Berger received into the itinerancy. D. Meissner of the M. E. Church was received.

"Resolved, That W. W. Orwig continue to be editor of the *Christliche Botschafter* and, H. Fisher, editor of the *Evangelical-Messenger*, until the next General Conference.

"Resolved, That W. W. Orwig shall receive \$100.00, in addition to the salary paid by General Conference.

"Resolved, That H. Fisher and W. Berch, each receive \$25.00 in addition to their present allowance by General Conference.

"Resolved, That H. Fisher be allowed to employ G. Miller in his department of the establishment if found necessary."

"Resolved, That W. W. Orwig, H. Fisher and W. Berch be appointed a committee to Revise the Book Agents Circular and that the same be published in the German and English languages."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; Shrewsbury Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert; York Circuit, C. Hammer and S. Wolf; Gettysburg Circuit, D. Kreamer and B. F. Hall; Franklin Circuit, M. J. Carothers and I. Lees; Cumberland, L. Eberhart; Baltimore Station, D. Berger; Baltimore Mission, B. Hengst.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, J. Dunlap, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, E. Kohr and A. Stahley; Columbia Circuit, J. M. Young and C. F. Deininger; Perry Circuit, J. Kreamer and J. C. Lunger; Cherry Circuit, A. Vallercham and G. W. F. Young; Luzerne Mission, P. Heiss.

CENTER DISTRICT, A. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, D. Kehr and A. Krouse; Clinton Circuit, P. Wagner; Union Circuit, Geo. Dellinger and G. J. Foy; Lycoming Circuit, E. Stambach and M. Zulauf.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, J. M. Sindlinger, Presiding Elder; Clarion Circuit, D. N. Long and W. Bressler; Venango Circuit, G. Kopp; Warren Circuit, Jos. Dick; Pittsburgh Station, C. Lindeman; Allegheny Mission, J. C. Link; Hollidaysburg Mission, L. May.

SOMERSET DISTRICT, U. Eberhart, Presiding Elder; Somerset Circuit, D. Sill and S. B. Kring; Bedford Circuit, J. Bolton and W. H. Berry; Indiana Circuit, J. Rank and supply; Shenandoah Circuit, L. D. Brown; Morgan Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Westmoreland Circuit, W. B. Cregg; Preston Circuit, J. McKesson.

J. Boas and J. L. W. Seybert were appointed a committee to "Abridge the Marriage form of ceremony in our Discipline—the improved form to be sent up to General Conference after having been laid before the annual conference."

1851

The twelfth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened March 12, 1851, in Berlin, Somerset County, Pa., with Bishop Jos. Long presiding, L. Eberhart, secretary and D. Kehr, assistant. D. N. Long and J. M. Young were appointed English secretaries.

Newly converted, 999; newly received, 1,179; total membership, 6,105.

Jacob Boas was reelected presiding elder.

Report of the Book Committee, "The members of the standing Book Committee convened at New Berlin, Pa., Feb. 20, 1851, for the purpose of examining the accounts of the Book Steward:

"Income	\$7,279.60
In Treasury from last year	954.06
Total	\$8,233.66
Expenses	5,389.36
Surplus	\$2,844.30
To be divided	1,500.00
Balance in Treasury	\$1,344.30

"The Committee reports with pleasure that the Book Establishment is in a prosperous condition, and that the business transactions are conducted in a very harmonious manner.

"J. DUNLAP, GEO. DELLINGER,
"A. LONGSDORF, J. RANK, *Committee.*"

Ordained elders: B. Hengst, J. L. W. Seybert, D. Kreamer, W. B. Gregg, G. Kopp, L. D. Brown, J. Bolton and J. Kreamer.

Ordained deacons: J. McKesson, M. Zulauf, J. Weikel, and W. Hammer.

"*Resolved*, That the presiding elder, and the preacher in charge on York Circuit, the presiding elder of the Allegheny District, the stationed preacher in Pittsburgh, constitute a committee of inquiry with reference to a suitable location for our Book Establishment; providing it is moved.

Report of the Committee on the "Jubilee Subscription":

"Albright Church"	\$144.11
"York Church"	227.00
"Academy"	350.52½
Total	\$721.63½

"Resolved, That the West Pennsylvania Conference hereby recommends to the General Conference the propriety of forming a Sabbath School Union, within the bounds of the Evangelical Association and to take into consideration those papers which have been prepared by the Book Committee, with reference to Sabbath schools in this conference, and to establish said Union on such basis as in their opinion will most further the cause."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, A. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, C. Hammer and G. W. Young; Cumberland, E. Kohr; Gettysburg Circuit, M. Zulauf and B. F. Hall; Franklin Circuit, M. J. Carothers and S. S. Hyde; Shrewsbury Circuit, J. Kreamer and G. Hunter; Baltimore Station, D. Berger; Baltimore Mission, B. Hengst; Baltimore Circuit, L. Eberhart.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, J. Dunlap, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, J. M. Young and J. Kaufman; Columbia Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert and A. J. Bender; Perry Circuit, A. Vallerchamp and W. H. Berry; Cherry Circuit, C. F. Deininger and Isaac Lees; Luzerne Circuit, P. Heiss.

CENTER DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, Geo. Delinger and S. B. Kring; Union Circuit, D. Kreamer and J. G. Miller; Clinton Circuit, P. Wagner and J. W. Marland; Lycoming Circuit, E. Stambach and A. Krause; Blockhouse, D. Kehr; Hollidaysburg Mission, L. May.

SOMERSET DISTRICT, U. Eberhart, Presiding Elder; Somerset Circuit, G. Kopp and supply; Bedford Circuit, J. Rank and A. Bower; Westmoreland Circuit, W. B. Gregg; Indiana Circuit, J. Bolton and G. Pfeifer; Shenandoah Circuit, L. D. Brown; Morgan Circuit, J. C. Lunger and W. B. Poling; Preston Circuit, J. McKesson.

ALLEGHENY DISTRICT, J. M. Sindlinger, Presiding Elder; Clarion Circuit, D. N. Long and W. Bressler; Venango Circuit, Jos. Dick; Warren Station, A. Stahley; Pittsburg Station, C. Lindeman; Allegheny Station, G. G. Buker.

The statistics show 999 conversions, 1,179 newly received and a total membership of 6,105.

1852

The thirteenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in East Prospect, York Co., Pa., March 17, 1852, with Bishop Long presiding, H. Fisher, secretary and L. May, assistant.

J. M. Young and L. Eberhart served as English secretaries, and a resolution passed that the proceedings of conference shall be recorded in English.

"Resolved, That a committee of five, viz.: P. Wagner, A. Vallerchamp, L. Eberhart, E. Kohr and M. J. Carothers, be appointed to examine the present method of supporting the ministry, and if possible so to amend the system that our preachers will receive their full allowance; yet, without making any alteration in our present independent plan."

The Stationing committee reported that it could not supply the circuits, stations and missions unless the contemplated mission in Baltimore, and the division of Franklin Circuit were abandoned, and

Blockhouse and Cherry Circuits consolidated. The conference complied with the suggestions of the committee.

Ordained Deacons: L. May, C. F. Deininger, A. Krause, W. H. Berry, J. C. Lunger, Isaac Lees and B. F. Hall.

Received into the itinerancy: H. Althouse, E. B. Wilson, J. L. W. Seybert, H. R. Price, J. Young and G. Hinkle.

"Resolved, That a subscription be presented to the congregation this evening after preaching for the support of Sabastian Kurtz in Germany."

C. Hammer, P. Wagner and J. L. W. Seybert were appointed a committee to prepare the Rules for Catechetical Instruction.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, A. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, J. Kreamer and A. Krause; Strassburg Circuit, M. J. Carothers and W. H. Berry; Gettysburg Circuit, J. C. Lunger and H. Althouse; Cumberland Circuit, E. Kohr; Franklin Circuit, B. F. Hall and E. B. Wilson; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, D. Kreamer; York Station, C. F. Deininger.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, James Dunlap, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, J. M. Young and J. Young; Columbia Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert and A. Bender; Lycoming Circuit, P. Wagner and H. R. Price; Cherry and Blockhouse, M. Zulauf and S. W. Seybert; Luzerne Mission, S. Wolfe.

CENTER DISTRICT, Jacob Boas, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, E. Stambach and G. W. Young; Center Circuit, Geo. Dellinger and L. May; Clinton Circuit, J. G. Miller and H. Keagel; Perry Circuit, Geo. Hunter and G. Hinkle; Liverpool Circuit, Isaac Lees; Hollidaysburg Mission, P. Heiss.

"Resolved, That each circuit shall be privileged to elect stewards whose duty it shall be to assist in managing the financial affairs, nevertheless, so as not to interfere with the Independent System.

"WHEREAS, W. L. Raber has been appointed by the East Pa. Conference to collect money for the purpose of liquidating the debt still resting on the Albright Memorial Church;

"Resolved, That we welcome him on his mission within the bounds of this conference, and that we will use our influence to encourage him in his undertaking."

The committee appointed to draw up some rule pertaining to catechetical instruction reported.

The General Conference of 1851 made changes in conference boundaries by which the Somerset and Allegheny Districts of the West Pennsylvania Conference, and an eastern section of the Ohio Conference constituted the newly formed Pittsburgh Conference. About fifteen of the members of conference elected to cast their lot with the newly-formed Pittsburgh Conference, leaving but twenty-seven preachers who signified their willingness to "travel according to the direction of conference" at the opening of the 1852 session of the West Pennsylvania Conference.

1853

The fourteenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Salem church, in Buffalo Valley, Union County, Pa., March 2, 1853. In the absence of the bishop, Philip Wagner conducted the open services. Jacob Boas was elected president *pro tem*. He appointed C. Hammer and J. L. W. Seybert as secretaries, and L. May and C. F. Deininger, assistants.

D. Kehr and H. Althouse located. H. Hinkle and J. B. Cox were excluded. Complaint was made against A. Vallerchamp with reference to so-called "Spirit-Rappings," who then promised to abandon the so-called "Spirit-Rappings" and no further action was taken, except:

"*Resolved*, That in the estimation of this conference, the so-called Spirit Rappings is unscriptural and inconsistent with the Christian character, and that no minister of this conference shall be allowed to indulge therein, or in the least countenance it."

Thirty-three members of conference signified their willingness to travel according to the direction of conference.

License to preach was granted to W. Whitmyer and H. Bower.

"*Resolved*, That a German Mission be established in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Bishop Joseph Long arrived on Friday morning and presided.

Ordained elders: Geo. Hunter, and M. Zulauf. Deacons: A. J. Bender E. B. Wilson, P. Graham and J. G. Bertsh.

"*Resolved*, That the vacancy in the Book Establishment be filled, and an assistant editor be elected."

"*Resolved*, That our periodicals shall be enlarged about one-third with the commencement of next year; That a new edition of the *Viole* shall be published; That the Principal Book Agent shall urge the payment of all claims due the establishment."

W. W. Orwig tendered his resignation as editor of the *Botschafter*, which was accepted. C. G. Koch of the Pittsburgh Conference was elected editor of the *Botschafter*.

W. W. Orwig resigned as Principal Book Steward, and Chas. Hammer was elected, his term to begin when the establishment is moved to Cleveland, Ohio.

Chas. Hammer resigned as Principal Book Steward, and M. F. Maize was elected.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Alex. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, J. Kreamer and A. Krause; Shrewsbury, M. J. Carothers and H. Price; Gettysburg Circuit, J. C. Lunger and J. Young; Franklin Circuit, J. Dunlap and E. B. Wilson; Cumberland Circuit, J. L. W. Seybert; Leesburg, E. Kohr; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, D. Kreamer; York Station, C. F. Deininger.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, Chas. Hammer, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, H. Keagel and Geo. Hunter; Columbia Circuit, B. F. Hall and A. L. Reeser; Lycoming Circuit, J. G. Miller and W. H. Berry; Blockhouse and Cherry, M. Zulauf and S. W. Seybert; Luzerne Mission, A. J. Bender; Wilkes-Barre Mission, S. Wolf.

CENTER DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, E. Stambach and G. W. F. Young; Center Circuit, P. Wagner and L. May; Clinton Circuit, Geo. Dellinger and P. Heiss; Perry Circuit, J. M. Young; Liverpool Circuit, Isaac Lees.

1854

The fifteenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Queen Street church, York, Pa., March 1, 1854, with Bishop Joseph Long presiding, Chas. Hammer, secretary, and B. Hengst, J. L. W. Seybert and A. J. Bender, assistants.

Henry Fisher, editor of the *Messenger*, died during the year. Isaac Lees located.

Conversions, 587; newly received, 693; total membership, 4,333.

Ordained elders: A. Krause, B. F. Hall, C. F. Deininger, L. May and J. C. Lunger. Ordained deacons: H. R. Price, J. Young, S. W. Seybert and N. Deobler.

On motion of M. J. Carothers:

"*Resolved*, That we establish an Institution of Learning within the bounds of the Conference District, providing sufficient funds can be procured to warrant the undertaking."

Unanimous.

On motion of P. Wagner:

"*Resolved*, That the contemplated Institution of Learning be located in New Berlin, Pa."

On motion of W. W. Orwig:

"*Resolved*, That as soon as \$1,500.00 shall be secured by subscription, arrangements shall be made for the erection of said Institution."

"*Resolved*, That the president appoint a committee to draft a plan to raise the specified amount for said purpose, and report."

Committee appointed: W. W. Orwig, J. M. Young and C. F. Deininger. M. F. Maize resigned as Principal of the Book Committee, and Charles Hammer was elected in his place.

J. L. W. Seybert was elected editor of *The Evangelical-Messenger* in place of Henry Fisher, deceased.

Chas. Hammer resigned the office of presiding elder, and P. Wagner was elected.

Report of the committee to draft plans for the proposed Institution of Learning: "That the money shall be secured by subscription,

and that any contributor to the Institution, shall have the privilege, if he sees proper, to take out his subscription, provided it be not less than \$20.00, in tuition, within twenty years from the time of the opening of the Institution, at the rate of \$20.00 for each scholar.

"Resolved, That S. Wolf and W. W. Orwig be appointed agents to solicit subscriptions for the institution."

The following were elected trustees for the proposed institution: W. W. Orwig, J. Boas, J. Dunlap, L. May, H. D. Maize, M. Dreisbach, and H. High.

"Resolved, That a committee of five, viz., W. W. Orwig, J. Boas, J. Dunlap, C. F. Deininger and J. M. Young, be appointed to determine what name would be most suitable for the institution."

The committee reported later, recommending the name, *"Union Seminary of the West Pennsylvania Conference,"* which was adopted.

B. Hengst was appointed to transcribe the proceedings of conference in a book.

"Resolved, That this conference advise the trustees of the Union Seminary, that as soon as the specified sum is secured, to purchase the building of the Book Establishment in New Berlin, Pa., for said purpose."

"Resolved, That, instead of selling scholarships and subscriptions, together for the purpose of raising the specified amount, subscriptions shall merely be taken up, with the understanding, that those contributors who pay \$20.00, or upwards, shall have the privilege of taking out their subscription in tuition at \$20.00 per year within 20 years of the opening of the Seminary."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Philip Wagner, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, Geo. Dellinger and G. W. F. Young; Shrewsbury Circuit, S. W. Seybert and A. L. Reeser; Gettysburg Circuit, E. B. Wilson; Cumberland Circuit, C. F. Deininger; Leesburg, J. Dunlap; Franklin Circuit, M. J. Carothers; Baltimore Circuit, H. R. Price; Baltimore Station, D. Kreamer; Baltimore Mission, J. G. Miller; York Mission, E. Kohr.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, A. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, H. Keagel and J. W. Clair; Lycoming Circuit, J. Kreamer and B. Hoffman; Columbia Circuit, B. F. Hall and J. Young; Blockhouse and Cherry Circuit, W. H. Berry and A. J. Bender; Luzerne, Geo. Hunter; Wilkes-Barre Mission, M. Zulauf; Montour Mission, to be supplied.

CENTER DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, L. May and H. Bower; Center Circuit, B. Hengst and A. Krause; Clinton Circuit, E. Stambach and P. Heiss; Perry Circuit, J. M. Young; Liverpool Circuit, J. C. Lunger.

"Resolved, That W. W. Orwig be continued in the itinerancy, and further, that he spend at least three months during the present year in collecting material for the contemplated Church History of our Association, providing the rest of the conferences concur."

"WHEREAS, The German Pocket Bible must soon be printed, which contains a great many mistakes; therefore,

"Resolved, That G. Miller be appointed to read and correct the Old Testament and W. W. Orwig the New Testament. Should G. Miller refuse, the

Book Steward and the editor of the *Botschafter* shall appoint another. The preachers in charge are requested to read said Bible, as soon as possible and where they find mistakes report the same.

"Resolved, That a subscription for the Union Seminary be opened in the conference, and that the members shall show a good example."

Conference adjourned and 29 members signed their names to the proceedings in acquiescence to the same.

1855

The sixteenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Green Street church, Baltimore, Md., March 8, 1855. In the absence of the bishop, J. Boas was elected president *pro tem*. B. Hengst, secretary, and L. May, assistant. J. M. Young and C. F. Deininger were appointed to record the minutes in English.

Boundaries: Center Circuit to be divided providing the Stationing Committee can supply it. The Shade Mountain to Middlecreek and from thence to the Susquehanna, shall be the line between Union and Liverpool Circuits. York Station shall be connected with York Circuit. Bishop Jos. Long arrived and presided.

"WHEREAS, The East Pennsylvania Conference has become willing to unite with this conference in the erection and continuation of the Union Seminary, at New Berlin, Pa.; therefore,

"Resolved, That the constitution which was presented by the trustees of the conference; and adopted by said conference be also received and adopted by this conference."

Elected trustees of Union Seminary: W. W. Orwig, S. Wolf, J. Boas, J. Dunlap, and laymen, M. Dreisbach, H. Maize, Dr. Brugger.

"Resolved, That W. W. Orwig be continued in the itinerancy, with the understanding that he is to assist S. Neitz, agent in the East Pennsylvania Conference one month in collecting funds for Union Seminary, and the remaining part of the year he is to be employed in compiling the Church History."

Thirty disciplinary recommendations to General Conference were carefully considered and voted on, most of which received a unanimous vote, total of thirty votes being cast.

"WHEREAS, Several brethren in Indianapolis, Indiana, conference, have made application to this conference for aid in the purchasing of a church; therefore,

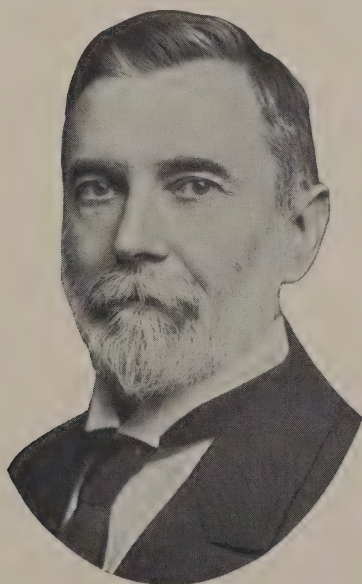
"Resolved, That in compliance with their request, a subscription be opened in the conference for said purpose."

"Resolved, That this conference recommend to the General Conference the enactment of a rule, or law, making it the duty of each preacher in charge to hand into conference a written report embracing his labors, success, etc., commonly reported at our annual sessions; and furthermore, that these reports together with proceedings of the conference shall be published in pamphlet form."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. Boas, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, E. Kohr and G. Dellinger; Shrewsbury Circuit, S. W. Seybert and H. R. Price;



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1880-1887
President, Central Pennsylvania
College, 1887-1902

Gettysburg Circuit, E. B. Wilson; Cumberland Circuit, C. F. Deininger; Franklin Circuit, M. J. Carothers; Leesburg Circuit, J. Dunlap; Baltimore Circuit, G. W. F. Young; Baltimore Mission, J. G. Miller; Baltimore Station, D. Kreamer.

CENTER DISTRICT, P. Wagner, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, L. L. May and Supply; Center Circuit, B. Hengst and A. Krouse; Clinton Circuit, E. Stambach and B. Hoffman; Perry Circuit, J. C. Lunger and H. Broadbeck; Liverpool Circuit, J. W. Clair.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, A. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, B. F. Hall and Supply; Columbia Circuit, J. M. Young and D. W. Miller; Lycoming Circuit, J. Kreamer and H. Althouse; Blockhouse and Cherry Circuit, W. H. Berry and J. Young; Luzerne Circuit, A. L. Reeser; Wilkes-Barre Mission, N. Zulauf; Agent for Union Seminary, S. Wolf.

1856

The seventeenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference met in the Mt. Zion church, Loganville Circuit, York County, Pa., March 5, 1856. The bishop not being present, Philip Wagner was elected president *pro tem*, L. May, secretary, and B. F. Hall, C. F. Deininger and A. L. Reeser, assistants.

Bishop John Seybert arrived and presided at the second day of the session.

Licensed to preach: Jacob Henn, Emanuel Kleinfelter and Jacob Zimmerman.

Benj. Hengst was elected presiding elder. S. Wolfe was continued as agent for Union Seminary, and W. W. Orwig, S. Wolf, J. Dunlap, P. Wagner, Isaac Eyer, H. D. Maize and M. Dreisbach, trustees.

Franklin Circuit was later added to the Baltimore District.

Ordained elders: H. R. Price, J. Young, and S. W. Seybert.

Deacon: H. Althouse. A committee was appointed to inquire into the "temporal circumstances of conference claimants."

B. F. Hall was appointed to "purchase a suitable Conference Book and to translate as much of the German Records as may be necessary and prepare an English Journal."

"WHEREAS, P. Graham, a local preacher, took up several appointments in Harford County, Md., during the past year; therefore,

"Resolved, That those appointments be formed into a circuit to be called Harford Circuit."

J. Boas, B. F. Hall and M. J. Carothers were appointed as a committee to examine the accounts of Union Seminary and report at the next annual session of conference.

Received into the itinerancy: N. Deobler, S. Aurand, J. Henn, J. Hartzler, J. Zimmerman, S. Mosser, J. Young, G. Hunter and P. Graham.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, B. Hengst, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, J. Kreamer; York Station, H. Althouse; Shrewsbury, C. F. Deininger and J.

Zimmerman; Gettysburg Circuit, S. W. Seybert; Franklin Circuit, J. C. Lung-
er; Harford Circuit, P. Graham; Baltimore Circuit, G. W. F. Young; Balti-
more Station, E. Stambach; Baltimore Mission, A. Krause.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, A. Longsdorf, Presiding Elder; Buffalo
Circuit, B. F. Hall and H. Broadbeck; Lycoming Circuit, J. Young and S.
Aurand; Columbia Circuit, J. M. Young and G. Hunter; Clinton Circuit,
S. Musser; Lock Haven Circuit, H. R. Price; Blockhouse Circuit, M. Zulauf;
Cherry Circuit, Jacob Young; Luzerne Circuit, D. W. Miller; Wilkes-Barre
Mission, L. May.

CENTER DISTRICT, P. Wagner, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, D.
Kreamer and J. Henn; Boalsburg Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth; Middlecreek
Circuit, G. Dellinger and J. Hartzler; Union Circuit, A. L. Reeser; Perry
Circuit, E. B. Wilson and N. Deobler; Cumberland Circuit, J. Dunlap and
M. J. Carothers; Agent for Union Seminary, S. Wolf.

1857

The eighteenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Confer-
ence convened in New Berlin, Pa., March 12, 1857. There being no
Bishop present P. Wagner was elected president *pro tem*; L. May,
secretary; J. M. Young and H. Broadbeck.

"Resolved, That the proceedings of each day be read in the German and
English language."

W. W. Orwig, J. Dunlap and B. F. Hall were appointed a com-
mittee to revise the rules (By-Laws), for the conference proceedings.

J. C. Lung-er was reported as having withdrawn during the year,
and B. Hengst, J. Dunlap and S. Wolf were appointed a committee
to examine into the financial affairs on his circuit.

"WHEREAS, Bro. D. W. Miller entered into a state of matrimony during his
probation; therefore,

"Resolved, That conference disapproves of the step."

S. Wolf was reëlected agent for Union Seminary. James Dunlap
was elected presiding elder.

No bishop having as yet arrived, A. Longsdorf was appointed on
the Committee on Boundaries, and J. Boas to occupy the place of the
bishop on said committee.

S. Wolf and Wm. Gebhart were elected trustees of Union Semi-
nary.

Ordained elders: G. W. F. Young, Noah Deobler, and A. L.
Reeser.

Deacons: H. Broadbeck and G. Rishel.

"Resolved, That a telegraphic dispatch be sent to Orwigsburg to obtain some
information respecting our Bishop."

B. F. Hall was appointed to send the telegram.

"WHEREAS, The prosperity of Union Seminary in a great measure depends upon the continual help and coöperation of the joint conferences, and because no fund is on hand to secure the continuation of the same; therefore,

"Resolved, That beside an appointed agent (to sell scholarships, and collect money towards its support), this conference unanimously obligates itself to use all its influence to promote the best interest of the institution, and to welcome the agent on our respective fields of labour and sustain him in his efforts."

Bishop Long, having arrived Saturday evening, presided at the Monday session of conference. C. Hammer of the Ohio Conference was received as an advisory member, he being the Book Steward.

Received into the itinerancy: J. C. Farnsworth, E. Kohr, G. Hunter, Samuel Smith and D. L. Suttan.

The committee appointed to revise conference rules, could not agree, hence a "Majority" and a "Minority" report was presented. The "Majority" report was adopted.

"Resolved, That the members of this conference who have not yet paid their subscription towards Union Seminary shall pay the same until the first of April next, and if not, interest shall be charged from that day and the amount, principal and interest paid during the year."

"Resolved, That J. C. Farnsworth, J. M. Young and D. Kreamer be a committee to make a thorough examination into the accounts of Union Seminary and report at next conference."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Benj. Hengst, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, G. W. F. Young; York Station, H. Althouse; Shrewsbury Circuit, C. F. Deininger and J. Zimmerman; Gettysburg Circuit, S. W. Seybert and D. L. Suttan; Franklin Circuit, G. Hunter; Baltimore Circuit, N. Deobler; Baltimore Station, E. Stambach; Baltimore Mission, A. Krause; Cumberland Circuit, M. J. Carothers and A. L. Reeser; Harford Circuit, P. Graham.

CENTER DISTRICT, P. Wahner, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, D. Kreamer and H. Broadbeck; Boalsburg Circuit, Jacob Young; Union Circuit, J. M. Young; Middle Creek Circuit, G. Dellinger and J. Hartzler; Perry Circuit, E. Kohr; Clinton Circuit, S. Musser and H. R. Price; Liverpool Circuit, E. B. Wilson.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, J. Dunlap, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and S. Smith; Columbia Circuit, John Young and J. W. Clair; Lycoming Circuit, A. Longsdorf and J. Henn; Block House Circuit, M. Zulauf; Cherry Circuit, S. Aurand; Luzerne Circuit, D. W. Miller; Wilkes-Barre Mission, L. May; Principal of Union Seminary, W. W. Orwig; Agent for Union Seminary, S. Wolf.

1858

The nineteenth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in New Kingston, Pa., March 11, 1858, with Bishop John Seybert, presiding, Benj. Hengst, secretary; H. Broadbeck and J. M. Young, assistants.

Newly converted, 800; newly received, 923; total membership, 4,972. E. Kohr was newly elected presiding elder, and D. Kreamer, agent for Union Seminary.

Ordained elder: Henry Althouse. Deacons: S. Aurand, D. W. Miller, Jacob Hartzler and Jacob Henn.

D. Kreamer, E. Kohr and John Zellers were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

"Resolved, That the presiding elder of Center District, and the preachers in charge of Union and Buffalo Circuits (E. Kohr, J. M. Young and J. C. Farnsworth), be a committee to examine into the financial condition of Union Seminary of the past and report to next annual conference."

Licensed to preach: Jacob Banzhof, W. H. Gottwalt and G. P. Weber.

The committee appointed by the last conference to examine into the finances of Union Seminary reported as follows:

"Receipts from the beginning to April 15, 1857:

Received from S. Wolf	\$13,643.41
Received from W. W. Orwig	3,304.62
Received from S. Neitz	1,058.00
Total	<hr/> \$18,006.03

"Expenses up to April 15, 1856:

Lumber, Sash and Window Frames	\$1,997.68
Bricks	1,967.68
Hardware, Bell, Nails, etc.....	1,665.17
Freight, Storage	220.61
Digging Cellar, Labor	157.42
Carpenter Work	1,043.31
Mason Work (Brick-laying)	1,010.97
Sand, Lime, Hair, Plastering	941.29
Tin, Roofing and Spouting	450.00
Insurance	88.00
Sundries	65.75
Furniture and Painting	302.36
Ground, Recording Deed, Interest, etc.	1,146.84
Expenses for Agent and Trustees	645.52
Stone Window and Door Sills	190.16
Digging Well, Walling and Pump	91.00
Chemical Apparatus	330.00
Sexton	40.00
W. W. Orwig on Salary	40.00
J. S. Whitman on Salary	75.00
A. S. Sassaman on Salary	75.00
C. F. Hoffman on Salary	100.00

\$12,643.76

"Expenses up to April 15, 1857:

W. W. Orwig, Salary	\$860.00
J. S. Whitman, Salary	525.00
A. S. Sassaman, Salary	420.00
F. C. Hoffman, Salary	385.00
Miss Evans, Salary	266.00
Miss Stoner, Salary	114.00
Prof. Hendricks, Salary	50.00
Dr. Dechart, Salary	44.00
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	\$2,664.00

Day Labor	\$281.41
Janitor	137.73
Printing and Advertising	49.16
Coal	78.37
Furniture	35.00
Painting	88.00
Traveling Expenses of Trustees	21.95
Mason Work	32.93
Insurance	67.50
Sexton	34.00
Painting	66.31
Carpenter Work	145.91
Sundries	17.56
Lumber	117.30
Mr. Dechart, Salary	44.00
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	\$1,217.13
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	\$3,881.13

"Recapitulation:

Receipts up to April 15, 1857	\$18,006.03
Expenses to April 15, 1856	12,643.76
Expenses to April 15, 1857	3,881.13
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"Balance on hand	\$1,481.14

"The committee in presenting this report would remark that they have the utmost confidence in the integrity and ability of those engaged in directing Union Seminary, and that it is very difficult to specify every article bought, spent, etc. Many of the orders on the treasurer include many different articles.

"J. M. YOUNG,
 "J. C. FARNSWORTH,
 "D. KREAMER,
 "Committee."

"Resolved, That a Mission be established in Kansas, and inasmuch as the conference desired of James Dunlap and Simon Wolf to labor in said territory as missionaries, and they consenting thereto, it was,

"Resolved, That they be appointed as missionaries in Kansas, and that one year be allowed them to get ready to enter upon their field of labor."

Received into the itinerancy: J. W. Clair, John Kreamer, W. H. Gottwalt, Geo. P. Weber and Albert Sommerville.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Benj. Hengst, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, L. May and J. Zimmerman; York Station, S. Wolf; Shrewsbury Circuit, Geo. Hunter and A. Krause; Gettysburg Circuit, H. Althouse and Jos. Dick; Franklin Circuit, S. W. Seybert; Baltimore Circuit, N. Deobler; Baltimore Station, C. F. Deininger; Baltimore Mission, G. W. F. Young; Cumberland Circuit, A. L. Reeser and Jacob Young; Harford Circuit, D. W. Miller.

CENTER DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, E. Stambach and H. Broadbeck; Union Circuit, J. M. Young; Middle Creek Circuit, S. Musser and J. Henn; Perry Circuit, M. Zulauf and A. Sommerville; Liverpool Circuit, P. Graham; Clinton Circuit, John Young and John Kreamer; Boalsburg Circuit, P. Wagner.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, James Dunlap, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and W. H. Gottwalt; Columbia Circuit, E. B. Wilson and G. P. Weber; Lycoming Circuit, A. Longsdorf and S. Smith; Blockhouse Circuit, H. R. Price; Cherry Circuit, S. Aurand; Luzerne Circuit, J. W. Clair; Wilkes-Barre Mission, Jacob Hartzler.

Thirty-five members of conference signed the proceedings and conference adjourned with prayer by Bishop Long.

1859

The twentieth annual session of the West Pennsylvania Conference met in the Green Street church, Baltimore, Md., March 3, 1859. There being no bishop present, Benj. Hengst was elected president *pro tem*. L. May was appointed secretary and H. Broadbeck, assistant. J. M. Young was elected by ballot to transcribe the proceedings in the English language, and chose Jacob Young as assistant.

G. Hunter, J. Dunlap and J. W. Clair were appointed a committee to investigate certain charges against D. W. Miller.

The committee later reported that the questions involved had been amicably and satisfactorily adjusted.

Ordained deacons: Jacob Zimmerman, J. W. Clair, Samuel Smith, Z. Hornberger, and S. Buchman. Ordained elders: H. Broadbeck, and Philip Graham.

James Dunlap resigned the office of presiding elder. Philip Wagner was elected presiding elder.

M. J. Carothers, W. W. Orwig and S. W. Seybert committee on the Kansas Mission reported as follows:

"WHEREAS, Several of our sister conferences have sent, during the past year, missionaries to Kansas, and thereby the most pressing wants of our members have been supplied, and as we expect great and important changes in our missionary operations to be made by the next General Conference; therefore,

"Resolved, That we recall the resolution of this conference passed at its last session in regard to a Mission in Kansas, notwithstanding the brethren who have been appointed to go have made preparations to do so."

The report was adopted.

W. W. Orwig, P. Wagner, E. Kohr, D. Witmer and P. Bowman were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

John Kreamer was elected agent for Union Seminary in place of D. Kreamer, resigned.

"Resolved, That the preachers in charge will welcome the agent of Union Seminary to their respective fields of labor, and obligate themselves to render him all aid and encouragement in their power to secure subscriptions and to sell scholarships."

Moses Walter was licensed to preach. Received into the itinerancy: M. Walter, Z. Hornberger, S. E. Davis, S. D. Bennington and M. W. Harris. H. A. Dietrich to be employed by the presiding elders.

C. F. Deininger was appointed to translate the proceedings from the German to the English languages and enter the same in the English Conference Record.

James Dunlap and Simon Wolf located with the intention of going to a western conference.

There were fifty-five disciplinary changes to go to General Conference, there being a total of 38 votes cast. The majority of the recommendations received an affirmative vote.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Benj. Hengst, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, L. May and A. Rearick; York Station, D. Kreamer; Shrewsbury Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Loganville Circuit, A. Krause and S. D. Bennington; Gettysburg Circuit, S. W. Seybert; Franklin Circuit, J. W. Clair; Baltimore Circuit, J. Zimmerman; Baltimore Station, C. F. Deininger; Baltimore Mission, H. Broadbeck; Cumberland Circuit, J. M. Young, M. J. Carothers and D. W. Miller; Harford Circuit, M. Zulauf.

CENTER DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, E. Stambach and J. Henn; Boalsburg Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth; Union Circuit, Jacob Young; Middle Creek Circuit, S. Musser and H. Althouse; Perry Circuit, A. L. Reeser and M. W. Harris; Liverpool Circuit, P. Graham; Clinton Circuit, John Young and N. Deobler.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, P. Wagner, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, A. Longsdorf and S. E. Davis; Columbia Circuit, E. B. Wilson and Z. Hornberger; Lycoming Circuit, H. R. Price and M. Walter; Blockhouse Circuit, S. Aurand; Cherry Circuit, Samuel Smith; Luzerne Circuit and Wilkes-Barre Mission, J. Hartzler and H. A. Dietrich; Principal of Union Seminary, W. W. Orwig; Agent for Union Seminary, John Kreamer.

1860

The twenty-first annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference (the name having been changed by the General Conference of 1859, from the "West Pennsylvania" to "The Central Pennsylvania Conference") convened March 8, 1860, in the "English church," Williamsport, Pa., with Bishop W. W. Orwig, presiding, Lewis May, secretary, and Jacob Young and J. M. Young, assistants.

"WHEREAS, S. E. Davis entered into matrimonial connection during the year, contrary to Discipline; therefore,

"Resolved, That this conference disapproves of his conduct in this respect, and that therefore his probation is to commence from this conference."

The license of Cyrus Thomas was withheld for the year. Z. Hornberger was asked to "recall" the harsh language used when speaking to some of the members of his circuit.

A committee was appointed to investigate the extent of the labor of J. Kreamer, agent for Union Seminary.

Ordained elders: S. Aurand and J. Hartzler; deacons: D. A. Kepner, G. Dressler, Geo. Focht, and S. Buchman. Licensed to preach: S. I. Shortess, A. H. Irvine, Elder Conser and Geo. Focht.

The committee appointed last year to apply to the N. C. R. R. for reduced rates to conference reported: That by presenting a certificate of membership of this Conference to the ticket agent the holder shall be entitled to a free ticket home.

Report of the Committee on Education:

"The committee would represent the cause of education as prospering within our conference bounds. Union Seminary, our institution at New Berlin, Pa., has thus far succeeded beyond our expectation. Yet, in view of its pecuniary embarrassment, and of the insufficiency of collecting agents to collect sufficient funds for its support, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution: That we do most heartily approve of the plan adopted by the trustees of Union Seminary, to dispense with collecting agents, and that we do beg the cordial assistance of the friends of the cause within the conference bounds to carry out the 35-cent plan.

"Resolved, That each preacher in charge shall make a persevering effort to raise an average of 35 cents per member on his charge. And that each preacher in charge shall have the privilege of selling scholarships towards making up this amount.

"Resolved, That the presiding elders on their districts, and the junior preachers on their circuits, heartily and cordially assist the preacher in charge in carrying out the proposed plan. In view also of the fact that without the blessing of God resting upon them, our institutions of learning cannot gain the end desired in their establishment, of forming centers of religious as well as educational influences, and in view of the fact that most of our sister churches have set apart a day of prayer for schools and colleges; therefore,

"Resolved, That we do recommend to the members of our church within these conference bounds the last Thursday of February of each year to be observed as a day of prayer for our educational institution."

This report called forth considerable discussion, and was finally amended, as above, and adopted.

F. C. Hoffman, A. H. Irvine, S. T. Buck, D. W. Miller, H. A. Dietrich, J. M. McGraw, and M. Sloat, were received into the itinerancy.

The Committee on Sabbath schools recommended that the con-

ference organize a "Sunday School and Tract Society" and presented a form of Constitution and By-Laws. The report was adopted and the Society was organized auxiliary to the Parent Society.

John Young, A. Longsdorf and J. H. Lees were appointed a committee to prepare a suitable memoir on the death of Bishop John Seybert, who died January 4, 1860. The committee reported:

"WHEREAS, It has pleased almighty God in his infinite wisdom to remove from the church militant to the church triumphant our beloved and much respected father and friend, Bishop John Seybert, a humble, pious and devout Christian, and for more than forty years an earnest, zealous and faithful minister of Jesus Christ; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That in his death the church has lost 'a burning and shining light' and the ministry an efficient and untiring fellow-laborer in the work. Yet, while we as members of the Central Pennsylvania Conference deeply lament the loss the church has sustained, we console ourselves with the Christian consolation that our loss is his eternal gain.

"In order he led, in the van of the host,
And fell like a soldier—he died at his post."

The resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

C. F. Deininger and J. H. Lees were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Jacob Young, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, E. Stambach and S. D. Bennington; York Station, A. L. Reeser; Shrewsbury Circuit, E. B. Wilson and D. W. Miller; Gettysburg Circuit, S. W. Seybert and S. T. Buck; Cumberland Circuit, J. M. Young and F. C. Hoffman; Leesburg Circuit, M. J. Carothers; Franklin Circuit, J. W. Clair; Harford Circuit, M. Zulauf; Baltimore Circuit, J. Henn; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, D. Kreamer.

CENTER DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, L. May and H. Althouse; Boalsburg Circuit, P. Graham; Union Circuit, C. F. Deininger; Middle Creek, A. Krause and M. Walter; Liverpool Circuit, John Young and M. W. Harris; Perry Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and A. H. Irvin; Clinton Circuit, N. Deobler and S. E. Davis.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, P. Wagner, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, A. Longsdorf and J. M. McGaw; Columbia Circuit, J. Hartzler; Montour Circuit, M. Sloat; Lycoming Circuit, S. Musser and A. Rearick; Blockhouse Circuit, S. Aurand; Cherry Circuit, Z. Hornberger; Luzerne Circuit, H. A. Dietrich; Wilkes-Barre Mission, S. Smith; Lewisburg, G. Hunter; Williamsport, H. R. Price; Agent for Union Seminary, S. Wolf.

1861

The twenty-second annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 7, 1861, in Glen Rock, Pa., with Bishop Joseph Long, presiding. Jacob Young was appointed secretary, with Z. Hornberger and C. F. Deininger assistants.

Chas. Hammer and R. Yeakel were received as advisory members. A strong resolution was offered by M. J. Carothers, censuring

those members of conference who are guilty of violating the rules of secrecy concerning the examination of moral and official character, and making it the duty of any member of conference knowing of such violation to report the violator to conference.

The report of the Board of Examiners, J. M. Young, L. May and Jacob Young, was submitted. The respective classes were: First Year: F. C. Hoffman, S. T. Buck, A. H. Irvine, J. M. McGaw and M. Sloat. Second Year: M. Walter, S. D. Bennington, M. W. Harris, A. Rearick, S. E. Davis and H. A. Dietrich. Fourth Year: Jacob Henn, J. W. Clair, S. Smith, Z. Hornberger and D. W. Miller.

This was the first examiners' report in which the grades were given in the various examinations.

Ordained deacons: J. H. Lees, H. A. Dietrick, M. W. Harris, M. Walter, S. D. Bennington, and A. Rearick; Elders: S. Smith, Z. Hornberger, J. W. Clair, D. W. Miller, and J. Henn.

Forty members of conference signified their willingness to travel according to the directions of the discipline.

C. F. Deininger offered the following resolution which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, We fully believe that the operations of the revised constitution of the Missionary Society of the Evangelical Association, as adopted by the last General Conference, is admirably adapted to the furtherance of the missionary cause in the Evangelical Association; and,

"WHEREAS, The General Board of Missions, at its last session, has earnestly recommended to the annual conferences that new auxiliaries to the Conference Missionary Societies be formed wherever it is practicable, and that the old ones be kept in continual operation; and,

"WHEREAS, We further believe that the 'signs of the times' urgently call for renewed zeal and united action; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That we heartily endorse the action of General Conference in adopting the revised constitution, and herewith pledge ourselves unanimously to carry out the recommendations of the General Board, namely, to form new auxiliaries and keep the old ones in operation, as also to use all proper means to increase the missionary spirit and support in this conference district, and thus coöperate with our sister conferences in aiding the Missionary Society of the Evangelical Association in the discharge of its important duties in the holy cause of missions."

On motion of A. L. Reeser:

"*Resolved*, That we request the Board of Publication to publish an 'English Almanac' for the ensuing year."

Prof. J. H. Lees and Abraham Eyer were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Jacob Young, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, D. Kreamer; Baltimore Circuit, J. Henn; Harford Circuit, P. Wagner; Shrewsbury Circuit, M. J. Carothers and M. Zulauf; York Circuit, E. Stambach and Z. Hornberger; York Station, A. L.

Reeser; Dover Mission, A. Ettinger; Gettysburg Circuit, S. Aurand and A. H. Irvine; Cumberland Circuit, E. B. Wilson and M. Sloat; Leesburg Circuit, S. D. Bennington; Franklin Circuit, M. W. Harris.

CENTER DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Perry Circuit, J. M. Young and J. M. McGaw; Liverpool Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth; Middle Creek Circuit, A. Krause and M. Walter; Union Circuit, C. F. Deininger; Center Circuit, L. May and J. W. Clair; Boalsburg Circuit, P. Graham; Clinton Circuit, H. Althouse and S. E. Davis; professors in Union Seminary, J. H. Lees and F. C. Hoffman.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, J. Hartzler and S. T. Buck; Lewisburg Mission, S. Wolf; Williamsport Mission, H. R. Price; Lycoming Circuit, N. Deobler and John Young; Columbia Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Luzerne Circuit, D. W. Miller; Wyoming Mission, S. Smith; Montour Circuit, H. A. Dietrich; Cherry Circuit, A. Rearick; Blockhouse Circuit, A. Longsdorf.

1862

The twenty-third annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 6, 1862, in Millheim, Pa., with Bishop W. W. Orwig presiding, C. F. Deininger, secretary and B. Hengst, assistant.

"WHEREAS, The members of this conference understand the English language, and can read the English manuscript, and reference is generally to the English record; therefore,

"Resolved, That we henceforth keep our records of conference proceedings in the English language.

"Resolved, That the German Conference Book be filed at New Berlin, Pa., in the care of Bishop Orwig, at the disposal of conference."

J. Wuster was deposed from office. M. Sloat, D. Kreamer, D. W. Miller, and E. B. Wilson, located.

E. Kohr was reëlected presiding elder. C. F. Deininger resigned the office of secretary, and J. M. Young, was appointed.

Ordained deacons: S. T. Buck, A. H. Irvine, F. C. Hoffman, and J. M. McGaw.

The Committee on Education reported:

"WHEREAS, The pressing wants of Union Seminary have been duly considered by the Board of Trustees, at their session, and plans for its relief have been adopted; therefore,

"Resolved, That this conference heartily approves of the apportionment of Brother Jesse Yeakel, as traveling agent for the seminary, and see in the action of the East Pennsylvania Conference, in yielding him at the request of the trustees, a hopeful sign of the sacrifice they are willing to make for the seminary in the future.

"Resolved, That while we regret to part with Brother C. F. Deininger, in the active itinerant field, yet thinking it for the best interest of the seminary, and following the example of the East Pennsylvania Conference, in the sacrifice

of Brother Yeakel, we are willing to appoint him as agent for the seminary, to hold the same relation to the church as all agents have heretofore held.

"Resolved, That we endorse the action of the trustees in the adoption of the \$50.00 plan, the collecting of smaller sums and the ingathering of scholarships, and that we support it to the full extent of our ability, and that we earnestly beg our friends in the Central Pennsylvania Conference to assist in carrying out its propositions.

"Resolved, That though the seminary groans under financial embarrassments, and though many friends advise the discontinuance for the present, while many of its enemies are anxiously looking for this event, we earnestly recommend its continuance, provided it will not cost more than \$1,600.00 for the salary of teachers.

"BENJ. HENGST,
"C. F. DEININGER,
"F. C. HOFFMAN,
"Committee."

W. W. Orwig, S. Wolf, John Vallerchamp and Daniel Witmer were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

M. J. Carothers offered the following Preamble and Resolution:

"WHEREAS, We consider it to be the duty of every Christian in the present crisis, and especially every Christian organization, to give evidence of his loyalty to our government; and,

"WHEREAS, The present fratricidal strife has been inaugurated with the view of destroying our government and pulling down the pillars of our glorious Republic; therefore,

"Resolved, That the all-absorbing question now is, whether we will have this fair heritage, purchased by the patriotic blood of our forefathers, ruthlessly torn from our grasp.

"Resolved, That we consider it the duty of every Christian and patriot to sustain by his prayers and in every other legitimate way our glorious and free government in its vigorous effort to crush out this unholy rebellion with which we are now cursed."

It was moved and seconded that the resolution be laid on the table. The motion was negatived. The following voting in the affirmative: Geo. Hunter, S. W. Seybert, A. H. Irvine, M. Walter, N. Daebler, C. F. Deininger, James Barber, M. W. Harris, E. Kohr, H. Althouse, J. Henn, S. D. Bennington, B. Hengst and J. M. McGaw.

The vote was then taken on the resolution, and adopted. The following voting in the affirmative: D. Kreamer, S. Smith, Jacob Young, S. Wolf, John Young, H. R. Price, A. L. Reeser, M. J. Carothers, A. Longsdorf, S. W. Seybert, S. T. Buck, F. C. Hoffman, J. H. Lees, A. H. Irvine, M. Walter, J. Hartzler, H. A. Dietrich, C. F. Deininger, Noah Deobler, S. Aurand, A. Ettinger, M. W. Harris, E. Kohr, A. Krause, A. Rearick, J. C. Farnsworth, H. Althouse, L. May, P. Graham, J. Henn, M. Zulauf, Z. Hornberger, S. D. Bennington, J. M. Young, and J. M. McGaw.

Neutrals: P. Wagner, Geo. Hunter, B. Hengst and James Barber.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; York Circuit, H. R. Price and C. W. Davis; York Station, B. Hengst; Shrewsbury Circuit, M. J. Carothers and F. C. Pandel; Gettysburg Circuit, S. Aurand and I. M. Pines; Cumberland Circuit, Z. Hornberger and W. H. Davis; Leesburg Circuit, J. M. McGaw; Franklin Circuit, M. W. Harris; Harford Circuit, A. Ettinger; Baltimore Circuit, M. Walter; Baltimore Station, J. M. Young; Baltimore Mission, J. Henn; Dover Mission, E. Stambach.

CENTER DISTRICT, Jacob Young, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, J. Hartzler and N. Deobler; Boalsburg Circuit, S. Smith; Union Circuit, A. L. Reeser; Middle Creek Circuit, L. May and F. Metfessel; Liverpool Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth; Perry Circuit, S. D. Bennington and I. Y. Reed; Clinton Circuit, M. Zulauf; Lock Haven Circuit, H. Althouse and A. H. Irvine.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, S. T. Buck and H. A. Dietrich; Lycoming Circuit, A. Krause and T. M. Morris; Columbia Circuit, Geo. Hunter and A. E. Summervill; Blockhouse Circuit, A. Longsdorf; Cherry Circuit, A. Rearick; Luzerne Circuit, P. Graham; Wyoming Mission, S. E. Davis; Lewisburg Mission, S. Wolf; Williamsport Mission, P. Wagner.

The following "Missionary Resolutions" were passed, evidently intended to rescind a similar resolution as adopted by the session of 1861:

"WHEREAS, A resolution with a preamble was passed by the Central Pennsylvania Conference, expressing in a strong approval of the revised Constitution of the Missionary Society of the Evangelical Association, and, inasmuch as there are some very strong clauses in that preamble and resolution which were not duly considered before voting, but out of desire to further the missionary cause the whole preamble and resolution were without amendment or debate unanimously passed; therefore,

"Resolved, That although we heartily approve of the missionary spirit therein contained, yet, on account of those clauses and the tendency and intention of the whole, it shall be considered recalled, and is hereby made null and void, and shall in the margin of the conference book be marked, *annulled*, with a reference to this resolution; and

"WHEREAS, We believe that the present (revised) Constitution is not fully adapted to further the Home Missionary work, especially within the bounds of the older conferences, inasmuch as they restrict in their missionary operations by the General Board, which passed a resolution strongly urging the conferences not to increase their number of missions, except in urgent cases, and then only with the advice of one of the bishops, which is contrary to the missionary spirit, design and work; therefore,

"Resolved, That we strongly urge the General Board to recommend to General Conference a revision of the present 'Constitution of the Missionary Society' of the Evangelical Association of North America, and that the Constitution be so constructed that it will leave the missionary economy within the bounds of each respective conference under their own control, while at the same time arrangements be made to fill the treasury of the Evangelical Association, without interfering with the conference societies' treasuries. And upon the whole arrange it so that the missionary work of the Evangelical Association shall stand combined as one in spirit and design, while at the same time each conference controls her department separately and independently."

1863

The twenty-fourth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 5, 1863, in York, Pa., with Bishop W. W. Orwig presiding; J. Hartzler, secretary; J. M. Young and F. C. Pandel, assistants. The usual committees were appointed. The license of A. E. Summerville was suspended. Isaac Leas withdrew from the church. Newly received: W. E. Detwiler, Cyrus Thomas, H. W. Buck, H. H. Ream, Geo. Bricklet, Jr., Alex. Cox, P. H. Rishel, J. A. Dunlap and Geo. Gross.

The interests of Union Seminary having been made the order of the day, the following report and recommendations of the Board of Trustees was read and adopted:

"The Board of Trustees respectfully report to the East and Central Pennsylvania Conferences that, notwithstanding they have exerted all their skill and ingenuity in devising plans of economy for bringing the expenses of the seminary down to the lowest possible figure, and yet, not to lower its former standing, so much as to injure its well-known reputation—its debt has again increased about \$1,200.00 during the past year, and now amounts to \$5,773.75. In other respects the school has succeeded fully as well as its friends could have expected, under the present unsettled condition of the country, although its number of students has considerably decreased, whereby its income was proportionably diminished. From this cause, and from the comparatively small amount of contributions received for its support during the year, the debt is necessarily increased as above stated.

"In view of this fact, and also in view of the fact that even if the 'fifty-dollar plan' be successful, there will still remain a small debt on the seminary, the board most earnestly recommends the conference to devise some more efficient plan for raising funds for the seminary, if they desire its continuance."

The following plan of endowment of Union Seminary was laid before conference:

"1. The endowment shall be, 'Fifteen Thousand and Six Hundred Dollars' and continue six years from the time of its accomplishment.

"2. The endowment shall be raised by subscription of 'Ten Dollars,' 'Five Dollars' and 'Three Dollars' for six successive years. That is, the subscribers of ten dollars shall pay sixty dollars in six annual payments of ten dollars each. The subscribers of five dollars shall pay thirty dollars in six annual payments of five dollars each, and those of three dollars shall pay eighteen dollars in six annual payments of three dollars each.

"3. The first payment subscription shall be due as soon as the whole amount of endowment is secured by subscription, when each subscriber shall be requested to pay the first installment of his subscription, and give his note for the balance, without interest. Any person paying the whole amount of his subscription in advance shall be allowed six per cent reduction on the same.

"4. The ten-dollar subscribers shall be entitled to six years tuition for one pupil, the five-dollar subscribers to two years and a half tuition for one pupil, and the three-dollar subscribers to a half session, or a quarter tuition for one pupil each year during the six years of the endowment: the right of tuition however in no case to extend beyond the term of endowment, and never to pre-

cede the annual payment of subscription due. The persons entitled, according to the foregoing, to two years and a half tuition, and those entitled to a half session tuition each year, shall have the privilege of taking out their tuition successively, or at any time during the term of endowment, by paying in advance for it.

"5. Any person paying his whole subscription in advance, or giving his note for the amount unpaid after having paid the first installment, shall be entitled to a certificate of scholarship from the Board of Trustees, setting forth the amount of tuition he is entitled to, such certificate to be signed by the president and treasurer of the board.

"6. Any subscriber to this endowment shall have the privilege of sending on his subscription any pupil he may wish, whether of his own family, or any other, provided such pupil present the certificate of the subscriber to the local agent of the seminary when making application for admission into the school.

"*Resolved*, That none of this conference present shall be excused from voting on the 'Plan of Endowment of Union Seminary.'

"*Resolved*, Unanimously, that the plan of endowment of Union Seminary as proposed by the Board of Trustees be adopted."

Jacob Young was elected trustee, and Jacob Hartzler traveling agent of Union Seminary.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, J. M. Young; Baltimore Mission, J. Henn; Baltimore Circuit, M. Walter; Harford Circuit, Wm. Reeser; Shrewsbury Circuit, S. Aurand and W. H. Davis; York Circuit, H. R. Price and A. Ettinger; York Station, B. Hengst; Dover Mission, E. Stambach and Supply; Gettysburg Circuit, Geo. Hunter, P. H. Rishel; Cumberland Circuit, Z. Hornberger and W. E. Detwiler; Leesburg Circuit, A. Longsdorf; Franklin Circuit, S. D. Bennington.

CENTER DISTRICT, Jacob Young, Presiding Elder; Perry Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and I. Y. Reed; Liverpool Circuit, J. M. McGaw and F. C. Pandel; Middle Creek Circuit, L. May and T. M. Morris; Union Circuit, A. L. Reeser; Center Circuit, H. Althouse and S. T. Bick; Boalsburg Circuit, S. Smith; Lock Haven Circuit, M. J. Carothers and Josiah Bowersox; Clinton Circuit, M. Zulauf.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Blockhouse Circuit, A. Rearick; Cherry Circuit, A. H. Irvine; Lycoming Circuit, A. Krause and F. Metfessel; Williamsport Mission, P. Wagner; Lewisburg Mission, C. F. Deininger; Buffalo Circuit, H. A. Dietrich and Fred. Kurtz; Columbia Circuit, M. W. Harris; Montour Circuit, I. M. Pines; Luzerne Circuit, P. Graham; Wyoming Circuit, S. E. Davis.

The following new suggestions to General Conference were adopted:

"WHEREAS, It will be necessary for our next General Conference to elect another bishop to fill the vacancy occasioned by the decease of the sainted Bishop Seybert, and

"WHEREAS, Our present bishops are both advanced in years; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That this conference recommends to General Conference and does hereby instruct our delegates to this end, that they shall so labor and vote, to have a suitable man elected to the office of bishop who is not beyond middle-

life, and who possesses physical as well as mental energy, so that he may be able to travel through the entire Association and thereby meet the wants of our church, and fulfill the Rule of the Discipline; continuing the present arrangement in reference to their support; and further,

"Resolved, That it is necessary, under existing circumstances, that the next bishop be a man who is capable of preaching in the English as well as the German language."

"WHEREAS, We are daily experiencing inconvenience and suffering loss in consequence of our inability effectively to meet the demands of our rising youth, and English-speaking portion of the community, both in and out of the church, and,

"WHEREAS, The future prosperity of our Zion makes it necessary that the English language should be actively encouraged and not only kindly tolerated, and

"WHEREAS, We have a lively appreciation of the importance of a wholesome literature to the prosperity of our church; therefore,

"Resolved, That this conference respectfully requests our next General Conference, and do hereby instruct our delegates to that body, so to labor and so vote that in our Board of Publication, there be a fitting representation in future of the English interests of the church. Hoping that by this means we shall be enabled to offer to our English people such desirable works, as for example, 'The Life and Labors of Bishop Seybert,' as near as may be simultaneous with the German; and further

"Resolved, That we solicit, and do hereby instruct our delegates to General Conference so to strengthen the English editorial department of the book establishment that an English child's paper, almanac, tracts, Sunday-school books and other English books may be prepared for the press and publication as well as German."

(Unanimously adopted.)

1864

The twenty-fifth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 3, 1864, in Lewisburg, Pa., with Bishop Joseph Long presiding; Jacob Young, secretary; Z. Hornberger, I. M. Pines, and A. Rearick, assistants.

C. F. Deininger volunteered as a candidate from this conference for the California Mission.

John Willhelm, J. G. M. Swengel, J. F. Manbeck, S. Yearick and H. A. Stoke were licensed to preach the Gospel.

S. Wolf was elected presiding elder.

S. W. Seybert resigned the office of presiding elder; his resignation was accepted.

Elders orders were granted: S. T. Buck, A. H. Irvine, S. D. Bennington and S. E. Davis. Deacons orders: I. N. Pines, F. C. Pandel, W. H. Davis, I. Y. Reed, F. Metfessel and T. M. Morris.

"WHEREAS, C. F. Deininger has reported that the Book Establishment has forwarded to him a lot of Bibles for distribution; therefore,

"Resolved, That they be donated among the German soldiers, and that M. J. Carothers be a committee to forward them to the Christian Commission for distribution."

A. L. Reeser was granted the privilege of locating for one year.

At the afternoon session, in the absence of the bishop, Z. Hornberger, assistant secretary, was called to the chair. F. C. Hoffman offered prayer; P. Wagner was elected president *pro tem*.

Conference adjourned to make way for the meeting of The Sunday School and Tract Society. Conference reconvened.

"Resolved, That it shall be the duty of each presiding elder to hold 'District Meetings' on his district during the ensuing year."

Received into the itinerancy: D. W. Miller, J. G. M. Swengel, H. W. Buck, P. H. Rishel and Wm. Reeser, the latter conditionally.

The resolution with reference to the distribution of Bibles donated by the Book Establishment was amended and the Bibles referred to are to be placed in the hands of the preacher stationed in the city of Washington, D. C., for distribution.

The Committee on Education reported as follows:

"Resolved, That the report of the Committee of Education with the whole financial affairs of Union Seminary be referred to the Board of Trustees of Union Seminary, with the instruction to lease it if an opportunity presents itself to the best possible advantage for a term not exceeding five years."

"Resolved, That this conference appoint a committee of five and solicit the presiding elders of the East Pennsylvania Conference to appoint a similar committee of their conference to confer with the committee appointed by this conference, forming a joint committee to devise some project to raise an endowment of at least \$50,000 for a college, and also to receive bids for a location of the college which may be convenient to both conferences and satisfactory to the parties concerned, and that the joint committee report at the next session of the East Pennsylvania and Central Pennsylvania Conferences."

M. J. Carothers, Jacob Young, S. Wolf, E. Kohr and F. C. Hoffman were elected to said committee.

M. J. Carothers, L. May and Abraham Eyer were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

C. F. Deininger delivered a brief, but very affectionate, farewell address, in which he very feelingly expressed his love and attachment for his brethren of the conference among and with whom he had labored for the last fourteen years, preparatory to his departure to the California Mission.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, A. Krause; Baltimore Circuit, A. Ettinger; Harford Circuit, Wm. Reeser; Shrewsbury Circuit, S. Aurand and W. H. Davis; York Circuit, H. Althouse and P. H. Rishel; York Station, J. Young; Conewago Circuit, Z. Hornberger and F. C. Pandel; Gettysburg Circuit, I. Y. Reed; Cumberland Circuit, H. R. Price and H. W. Buck; Leesburg Circuit,

A. Longsdorf; Hagerstown Circuit, S. D. Bennington; Washington, D. C., Mission, J. Henn.

CENTER DISTRICT, J. M. Young, Presiding Elder; Perry Circuit, S. T. Buck and W. E. Detwiler; Liverpool Circuit, P. Graham and J. M. McGaw; Port Trevorton Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth; Middle Creek Circuit, E. Stambach and S. E. Davis; Union Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Center Circuit, M. Walter and D. W. Miller; Boalsburg Circuit, M. Zulauf; Lock Haven Circuit, M. J. Carothers and Josiah Bowersox; Clinton Circuit, P. Wagner.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, S. Wolf, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg Mission, J. Hartzler; Buffalo Circuit, S. W. Seybert and F. C. Hoffman; Williamsport Mission, S. Smith; Lycoming Circuit, L. May and F. Metfessel; Blockhouse Circuit, A. Rearick; Cherry Circuit, A. H. Irvine and J. G. M. Swengel; Montour Circuit, T. M. Morris; Columbia Circuit, M. W. Harris; Luzerne Circuit, I. M. Pines; Wyoming Mission, H. A. Dietrich.

1865

The twenty-sixth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Williamsport, Pa., March 2, 1865, with Bishop Joseph Long presiding; Jacob Young, secretary; J. H. Lees, J. Hartzler and L. May, assistants. The usual committees were appointed.

S. T. Buck was reported as having left his charge during the year to volunteer for service in the Union army. His case was referred to a special committee: M. J. Carothers, F. C. Hoffman and A. Longsdorf, who later reported as follows:

"We recommend that conference disapproves of the course pursued by S. T. Buck in not consulting his presiding elder as to his intention of volunteering, or, at least in not informing him in due season of his having abandoned the circuit for the army.

"We further recommend that Brother S. T. Buck be placed under that clause which provides that in the future all those brethren necessitated to retire from active labor, who shall within a reasonable time return to the itinerancy be considered in the traveling connection whether in the seminary or elsewhere engaged in a legal calling."

"WHEREAS, Several of our brethren have already been drafted, and several are still liable to the draft, in their districts, and

"WHEREAS, The Stationing Committee would like to know before arranging the appointments what probabilities there may be of their being able to fulfill their appointments; therefore,

"Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to accompany the drafted brethren to the Provost Marshall's office and solicit an immediate examination if possible. Committee: P. Wagner, M. J. Carothers and S. Smith."

"Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draw up an instrument of writing, certifying that: A. B. is a member of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Association in active service. Committee: J. H. Lees and F. C. Hoffman."

A. L. Reeser and J. M. McGaw located on account of family circumstances during the year.

Elders orders: J. H. Lees and F. C. Hoffman.

Deacons' orders: Josiah Bowersox, W. E. Detwiler, P. H. Rishel and M. Sloat.

Committee on Education reported:

"WHEREAS, We are fully convinced that it is our imperative and holy duty to train our youth, not only in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, but especially to afford them suitable opportunity for intellectual culture under our own auspices, and

"WHEREAS, From our undertakings in the cause of education, in the case of Union Seminary, and other similar institutions, we know from experience that the blessing of God rests upon such institutions as are conducted upon Christian principles, which while they educate intellectually the rising generation, at the same time, are adapted to further the salvation of souls; therefore,

"*Resolved*, First, That we accept the invitation of the East Pennsylvania Conference to unite with them, the Pittsburgh, New York, and Canada Conferences for the purpose of founding a college in the eastern part of our church organization.

"Second, That for this purpose there be established an endowment of \$150,000.00, upon condition that so soon as \$100,000.00 have been secured by subscription, the subscription shall be binding and that each conference raise such amount of the endowment as shall be proportionate to its membership.

"Third, That the following persons be entitled to free tuition in the college:

"(a) The children of all such soldiers as have fallen, or may yet fall in the rebellion.

"(b) The children of all such soldiers who through service in the United States army are entitled to pensions from the United States government.

"(c) The children of all ministers who have been worn out, or have died in the service of the church. All such persons to live within the bounds of the coöperating conferences, and not to be over 21 years of age; and of the first two classes not more than 50 to be admitted at any one and the same time.

"Fourth, That as soon as it is deemed necessary and practicable, a Missionary Department is to be attached to the college.

"Fifth, In case Union Seminary shall not be opened under the auspices of the East Pennsylvania and Central Pennsylvania Conferences, such persons as hold scholarships in said seminary shall be entitled to tuition to the same amount in the Preparatory Department of the college.

"Sixth, That as soon as two of the above-named conferences unite with us for the purpose of carrying out this plan, the enterprise shall be commenced.

"Seventh, That a delegate be appointed by the conference, who, in case a sufficient number of coöperating conferences agree, shall, as soon as possible, assemble with the delegates appointed by the several coöperating conferences, to take further steps for the accomplishment of this plan.

"Eighth, That conditionally, an agent be elected to collect funds for the above-named purpose, within the bounds of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, whenever the necessary preparatory steps have been taken by the convention of delegates."

The report was adopted.

"Resolved, That M. J. Carothers be elected delegate to meet in convention with delegates from the other conferences to make the necessary preliminary arrangements for erecting the proposed college."

"WHEREAS, Our friends in Baltimore, Md., have already organized an English class with the intention of applying to us for an English missionary as soon as our treasury will allow it, and also,

"WHEREAS, Our friends in Carlisle, Pa., desire an English Mission as soon as we are able to supply them; therefore,

"Resolved, That we take up these two missions and send missionaries as soon as we can raise the funds necessary for these undertakings."

"Resolved, That in view of our increased expenses in taking up these two new missions, our delegate to the next Board of Missions be instructed to ask for an appropriation of \$4,000."

D. Witmer, S. Wolf and John Vallerchamp were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, A. Krause; Baltimore Circuit; A. Ettinger; Harford Circuit, F. C. Pandel; Shrewsbury Circuit, Z. Hornberger and A. Rearick; York Circuit, H. Althouse and F. C. Hoffman; Conewago Circuit, Wm. Reeser and W. E. Detwiler; Gettysburg Circuit, I. Y. Reed; Cumberland Circuit, H. R. Price and A. Longsdorf; Hagerstown Circuit, W. H. Davis.

CENTER DISTRICT, J. M. Young, Presiding Elder; Perry Circuit, S. Aurand and T. M. Morris; Liverpool Circuit, Philip Graham; Port Trevorton Circuit, E. Stambach; Middle Creek Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and D. W. Miller; Union Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Clinton Circuit, P. Wagner; Center Circuit, M. J. Carothers and M. Walter; Boalsburg Circuit, M. Zulauf; Lock Haven Circuit, S. W. Seybert and P. H. Rishel.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, S. Wolf, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg Mission, A. H. Irvine; Buffalo Circuit, M. W. Harris and J. G. M. Swengel; Columbia Circuit, S. D. Bennington; Montour Circuit, H. A. Stoke; Luzerne Circuit, I. N. Pines; Wyoming Mission, H. A. Dietrich; Cherry Circuit, S. E. Davis and F. Metfessel; Blockhouse Circuit, Josiah Bowersox; Lycoming Circuit, L. May and H. W. Buck; Williamsport Mission, S. Smith; Washington City Mission, J. Hartzler.

1866

The twenty-seventh annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Baltimore, Md., March 8, 1866, with Bishop Joseph Long, presiding; Jacob Young, secretary; Josiah Bowersox and I. M. Pines, assistants.

Deacons' orders: H. W. Buck, H. A. Stoke, J. G. M. Swengel, Joseph Snively and A. Snyder.

Elders' orders: I. M. Pines, T. M. Morris, F. Metfessel, I. Y. Reed and W. H. Davis.

License to preach was granted to J. M. Ettinger and Benj. Winegardner. E. Kohr was reelected presiding elder.

"Resolved, That we have Sacrament on Sabbath afternoon, and an English sermon on Monday evening."

"WHEREAS, A petition from the members of the First church in Baltimore, Md., was presented, petitioning conference to continue Brother B. Hengst two years longer, and

"WHEREAS, Brother Hengst's circumstances are represented as being of a peculiar and very afflicting nature; therefore,

"Resolved, That the Stationing Committee be authorized to appoint him to Baltimore Station."

"Resolved, That Lock Haven be taken up as a Mission."

The Committee on Appropriations for missions reported: Washington Mission, \$500.00; Baltimore, \$300.00; Lewisburg, \$100.00; Williamsport, \$175.

The Committee on Education reported:

"That the cause of education within the bounds of the Central Pennsylvania Conference is progressing finely. It has, however, had its fierce conflicts to pass through. The hearts of some seemed to grow faint when Union Seminary was suspended, but in the midst of the gloom many of the friends of education became imbued with its spirit, finally, resolving to pray more fervently, labor more zealously and contribute more liberally for the promotion of so noble a cause within the bounds of our Evangelical Zion.

"When Union Seminary was under levy of execution a number of our more liberal hearted ministers and laymen heroically came to the rescue, and organized themselves into 'The Educational Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference,' purchased the institution, and subsequently leased it to Prof. Hoffman, who is now conducting it under the patronage of our church.

"The committee takes pleasure in announcing the seminary under the principalship of Prof. Hoffman as in a flourishing condition, is well patronized, is doing good work for the church and the rising generation and would earnestly recommend it to the prayers, patronage and favorable consideration of our members and the education-loving public.

"M. J. CAROTHERS,

"GEO. HUNTER,

"SAMUEL SMITH,

"Committee."

"Resolved, That the members of this conference exert themselves to procure students for Union Seminary."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. M. Young, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, A. Rearick; Baltimore Circuit, H. Alt-house; Harford Circuit, F. Metfessel; Shrewsbury Circuit, Z. Hornberger and A. Longsdorf; York Circuit, A. Krause and M. Sloat; Conewago Circuit, Wm. Reeser; Big Spring Circuit, I. Y. Reed; Cumberland Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Hagerstown Circuit, W. H. Davis; Washington Mission; J. Hartzler; Gettysburg Circuit, H. A. Dietrich.

CENTER DISTRICT, S. Wolf, Presiding Elder; Center Circuit, P. Wagner and P. H. Rishel; Perry Circuit, S. Aurand and T. M. Morris; Clinton Circuit, P. Graham; Boalsburg Circuit, H. R. Price; Lock Haven Circuit, S. D. Seibert and M. Zulauf; Liverpool Circuit, D. W. Miller; Middle Creek

Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and S. I. Shortess; Union Circuit, M. J. Carothers; Port Trevorton Circuit, E. Stambach.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg Mission, A. H. Irvine; Buffalo Circuit, M. W. Harris and W. E. Detwiler; Williamsport Mission, Jacob Young; Lycoming Circuit, M. Walter and H. W. Buck; Blockhouse Circuit, Josiah Bowersox; Cherry Circuit, I. M. Pines; Muncy Circuit, S. E. Davis; Montour Circuit, H. A. Stoke; Luzerne Circuit, J. G. M. Swengel; Columbia Circuit, S. D. Bennington; Wyoming Mission, S. T. Buck.

1867

The twenty-eighth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 7, 1867, in New Kingston, Pa., with Bishop Joseph Long presiding; Jacob Young, secretary; Josiah Bowersox and I. M. Pines, assistants. The usual committees were appointed.

"Resolved, That all ministers who retire from active service in the ministry shall forfeit all claims for themselves and families on the conference."

Elders' orders: W. E. Detwiler and Josiah Bowersox.

Deacons' orders: S. I. Shortess and J. N. Allen.

License to preach the Gospel: John Shuler, J. M. Price, Wm. H. Houtz, John S. Bear, A. W. Kreamer, U. F. Swengel, J. W. Bentz and W. P. Thomas.

Conference voted on the forty-seven disciplinary recommendations to General Conference, a total of fifty votes being cast.

Received into the itinerancy: S. I. Shortess, J. M. Ettinger, J. W. Bentz, U. F. Swengel, W. P. Thomas, A. W. Kreamer, John Kreamer and M. Sloat.

"WHEREAS, We believe it to be conducive to the prosperity of the work of the Lord and the salvation of souls to separate our German and English work in Williamsport Mission, and

"WHEREAS, There are many German inhabitants in the city, and others still coming in, and

"WHEREAS, There is no exclusively German congregation in the city; therefore,

"Resolved, That the preacher in charge of Williamsport Mission be privileged to consult with the congregation of said mission, in reference to our work there, and make the best possible arrangements in reference to the same, with a view to convert it into a German station and establish an English mission there at the earliest time practicable, with the understanding that until that time the language shall be continued as at present."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. M. Young, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, J. Henn; Baltimore Mission, A. Rearick; Baltimore Circuit, H. Alt-house; Glen Rock Mission, J. Hartzler; Harford Circuit, F. Metfessel; Shrewsbury Circuit, M. W. Harris and A. Longsdorf; York Circuit, A. Krause and M. Zulauf; York Station, S. Smith; Conewago Circuit; J. C. Farnsworth and J. M. Ettinger; Gettysburg Circuit, Z. Hornberger; Cumberland Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Hagerstown Circuit, Wm. Reeser; Washington, D. C., Mission,

Jacob Hartzler; Big Spring Circuit, I. Y. Reed and D. A. Kepner; Carlisle Mission, to be supplied.

CENTER DISTRICT, Simon Wolf, Presiding Elder; Perry Circuit, W. H. Davis and M. Sloat; Liverpool Circuit, D. W. Miller and H. H. Ream; Port Trevorton Circuit, S. Aurand; Middle Creek Circuit, John Kreamer and A. W. Kreamer; Union Circuit, M. J. Carothers; Boalsburg Circuit, H. R. Price; Center Circuit, E. Stambach and S. I. Shortess; Clinton Circuit, P. Graham; Lock Haven Circuit, P. Wagner and W. E. Detwiler; Lock Haven Mission, S. W. Seybert; J. H. Lees, professor, North Western College; F. C. Hoffman, professor, Union Seminary.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg Station, Josiah Bowersox; Buffalo Circuit, S. D. Bennington and W. P. Thomas; Williamsport Mission, Jacob Young; Lycoming Circuit, M. Walter and J. G. M. Swengel; Blockhouse Circuit, P. H. Rishel; Cherry Circuit, I. M. Pines; Columbia Circuit, A. H. Irvine and J. M. Price; Luzerne Circuit, T. M. Morris; Danville Mission, H. A. Stoke; Wyoming Circuit, S. T. Buck and U. F. Swengel; Northumberland Mission, S. E. Davis; Scranton Mission, to be supplied; Muncy Circuit, H. W. Buck and J. W. Bentz.

1868

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 5, 1868, in Lewisburg, Pa., with Bishop Joseph Long presiding; Jacob Young, secretary; S. Smith, I. M. Pines and J. Bowersox, assistants. The usual standing committees were appointed.

The examination of moral and official character of the members of conference was conducted with closed doors.

Wm. Reeser, not having gone to his appointment last year, received a vote of disapproval and was automatically located.

M. J. Carothers and Jacob Young were newly elected presiding elders.

Elders' orders: P. H. Rishel, H. W. Buck, J. G. M. Swengel, H. A. Stoke and M. Sloat.

Deacons: J. W. Bentz, B. W. A. Young and Henry Willhelm.

Report of Committee on Education:

"Resolved, That we rejoice to learn of the success of Union Seminary under the efficient principalship of Prof. F. C. Hoffman, and would recommend it to the favorable consideration and liberal patronage of an education-loving public."

"WHEREAS, We consider it important and necessary that we have a 'Missionary Institute' in our bounds; therefore,

"Resolved, That this conference appoint a committee of five to take the matter under consideration, and report to this conference at its next annual session."

Committee chosen: M. J. Carothers, S. Wolf, Geo. Hunter, Z. Hornberger and Josiah Bowersox.

Church incorporation:

"Inasmuch as General Conference prepared a formula of incorporation, to

incorporate our church property, and recommend the same to the consideration of the conference; therefore,

"Resolved, That we instruct the individual members of conference to have our churches incorporated."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Jacob Young, Presiding Elder; Washington Mission, B. Hengst; Baltimore Station, J. Henn; East Baltimore Station, M. Zulauf; Baltimore Circuit, F. Metfessel; Harford Circuit, P. Graham; Shrewsbury Circuit; J. M. Ettinger; Glen Rock Mission, J. Hartzler; Loganville Circuit, A. Krause; York Circuit, M. Walter and J. W. Bentz; York Station, A. Rearick; Gettysburg Circuit, A. Longsdorf; Conewago Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth and C. H. Gramley.

CENTER DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Cumberland Circuit, I. Y. Reed; Carlisle Mission, J. G. M. Swengel; Big Spring Circuit, H. A. Deitrick and Supply; Hagerstown Circuit, D. A. Kepner; Perry Circuit, D. W. Miller and M. Sloat; Liverpool Circuit, W. H. Davis and Supply; Port Trevorton Circuit, S. Aurand; Middle Creek Circuit, J. Kramer and H. H. Ream; Union Circuit, Geo. Hunter; Center Circuit, E. Stambach and G. E. Zehner; Boalsburg Circuit, P. Wagner and A. W. Kreamer; Clinton Circuit, Z. Hornberger; Lock Haven Circuit, S. Smith and W. E. Detwiler; Lock Haven Mission, S. W. Seybert; F. C. Hoffman, principal of Union Seminary.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg Station, J. Bowersox; Buffalo Circuit, S. D. Bennington and W. P. Thomas; Williamsport Mission, S. T. Buck; Lycoming Circuit, J. M. Young and J. F. Manbeck; Blockhouse Circuit, P. H. Rishel and Supply; Muncy Circuit, H. W. Buck and S. P. Remer; Cherry Circuit, S. I. Shortess; Columbia Circuit, A. H. Irvine and U. F. Swengel; Luzerne Circuit, T. M. Morris; Wyoming Circuit, I. M. Pines and J. M. Price; Northumberland Mission, S. E. Davis; Danville Mission, H. A. Stoke.

Committee on Missionary Appropriations reported:

Washington City Mission	\$800 00
Glen Rock Mission	125 00
Carlisle Mission	450 00
Lock Haven Mission	700 00
Williamsport Mission	150 00
Northumberland Mission	400 00
Danville Mission	350 00
Total	\$2,975 00

"Resolved, That we organize ourselves into a Ministerial Aid Society and that a committee of five be appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws for said society."

Committee: Z. Hornberger, J. Hartzler, S. Smith, S. W. Seybert and S. Wolf.

1869

The thirtieth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference met March 4, 1869, in First church, Baltimore, Md. In the absence of the bishop, M. J. Carothers was elected chairman. Jacob Young

was appointed secretary; J. Bowersox, J. G. M. Swengel, I. M. Pines and A. Rearick, assistants. The usual standing committees were appointed.

Deacons' orders: U. F. Swengel, J. M. Price, W. P. Thomas, A. W. Kreamer and J. M. Ettinger.

Elders' orders: D. A. Kepner.

Bishop J. J. Esher arrived, was introduced to, and addressed conference.

Licensed to preach the Gospel: P. W. Coup, W. H. Stover, Morris Walton, P. S. Orwig, I. S. Frain, P. W. Raidabaugh, Hiram Conrad, John M. King, Henry Schreiber, S. W. Stayman, W. M. Croman, Wm. Row, J. W. Graham, John Dumm.

"Resolved, That we hail with joy the publication of The Living Epistle and consider it a timely undertaking to meet a pressing want. Therefore we heartily recommend it to a liberal patronage, give it our support, wish it God speed and a long and useful existence."

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, Jacob Young, Presiding Elder; Washington Mission, A. Rearick; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore Circuit, J. C. Farnsworth; Baltimore East Station, M. Zulauf; Shrewsbury Circuit, J. M. Ettinger; Loganville Circuit, A. Krause and H. A. Stoke; York Circuit, M. Walter and H. H. Ream; York Station, J. Bowersox; Glen Rock Station, J. Hartzler; Gettysburg Circuit, A. Longsdorf; Conewago Circuit, A. L. Reeser and S. W. Stayman; Baltimore Mission, to be supplied.

CENTER DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Cumberland Circuit, I. Y. Reed; Carlisle Mission, J. G. M. Swengel; Big Spring Circuit, H. A. Dietrich and J. W. Bentz; Hagerstown Circuit, S. E. Davis; Marysville Circuit, W. E. Detwiler; Perry Circuit, D. W. Miller and U. F. Swengel; Liverpool Circuit, S. D. Bennington and J. S. Bair; Port Trevorton Circuit, S. W. Seybert; Middle Creek Circuit, E. Stambach and H. B. Hartzler; Union Circuit, M. Sloat; Center Circuit, S. Aurand and G. E. Zehner; Boalsburg Circuit, J. M. Young and J. M. King; Lock Haven Circuit, S. Smith and H. Conrad; Lock Haven Mission, Geo. Hunter; Clinton Circuit, Z. Hornberger and J. F. Manbeck; Principal of Union Seminary, F. C. Hoffman.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg Station, A. H. Irvin; Buffalo Circuit, H. W. Buck and C. H. Gramley; Lycoming Circuit, J. Kreamer and P. S. Orwig; Williamsport Station, P. Wagner; Williamsport Mission, S. T. Buck; Blockhouse Circuit, T. M. Morris and P. W. Raidabaugh; Muncy Circuit, M. W. Harris and A. W. Kreamer; Cherry Circuit, S. I. Shortess; Northumberland Mission, I. M. Pines; Danville Mission, W. H. Davis; Columbia Circuit, P. H. Rishel and M. Walton; Orangeville Mission, S. P. Remer; Luzerne Circuit, D. A. Kepner; Wyoming Circuit, J. M. Price and W. M. Croman.

H. B. Hartzler, a local preacher in the M. E. Church, was received in the same relation as he stood there.

The recommendation from General Conference to constitute the Book Steward, editors, etc., delegates to General Conference "ex-officio" was voted down—Yeas, 3; Nays, 43.

1870

The thirty-first session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Williamsport, Pa., March 4, 1870, with Bishop J. J. Esher presiding.

The bishop, in his opening address, referred very appropriately to the death of the late Bishop Joseph Long, and also the members of conference, Philip Wagner, M. Walter, M. Zulauf and Philip Graham who had died during the year.

Jacob Hartzler was appointed secretary, who chose I. M. Pines, J. Bowersox, H. B. Hartzler and B. Hengst as his assistants.

J. Young, M. J. Carothers and E. Kohr were appointed as a committee to make provision for the incorporation of the conference.

Deacons' orders: H. H. Reem, S. P. Remer, H. B. Hartzler, S. Yerick, J. Swartz, C. H. Gramley, G. E. Zehner, J. F. Manbeck, A. Houser and J. Shaeffer.

Elders' orders: J. W. Bentz and S. I. Shortess.

Licensed as preachers on trial: W. N. Wallis, Edwin Swengel, A. W. Shenberger, J. A. Irvin, B. Craley and L. K. Harris.

The following were received into the itinerancy: H. B. Hartzler, J. M. King, P. W. Raidabaugh, W. M. Croman, P. S. Orwig, H. Conrad.

The Stationing Committee reported as follows:

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, B. Hengst; Baltimore, East, A. Rarick; Baltimore Mission, J. M. Ettinger; Baltimore Circuit, C. H. Gramley; Jarrettsville, H. A. Stoke; Shrewsbury, G. E. Zehner; Loganville, J. F. Manbeck and A. W. Shenberger; Glen Rock, J. Hartzler; York Circuit, A. Krause and H. H. Reem; York Station, J. C. Farnsworth; Conewago Circuit, H. A. Detrick; Bendersville, J. M. Price; Oregon Mission, J. Bowersox.

CENTER DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Cumberland Circuit, J. G. M. Swengel; Carlisle, H. B. Hartzler; Big Spring, U. F. Swengel and A. W. Kreamer; Hagerstown Circuit, S. E. Davis; Marysville, W. E. Detwiler; Perry Circuit, S. W. Seibert and W. N. Wallis; Liverpool, S. D. Benington; Port Trevorton, D. W. Miller; Middle Creek, E. Stambach and W. M. Croman; Union Circuit, M. Sloat; Center Circuit, S. Aurand and J. M. King; Boalsburg Circuit, J. M. Young and W. H. Stover; Lock Haven Circuit, A. L. Reeser and P. S. Orwig; Clinton Circuit; A. Longsdorf and S. Yerick; Lock Haven Mission, George Hunter.

SUSQUEHANNA DISTRICT, J. Young, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, I. M. Pines; Buffalo Circuit, H. W. Buck and H. Conrad; Milton, A. H. Irvin; Danville, W. H. Davis; Hughesville Circuit, M. W. Harris and L. K. Harris; Orangeville, S. P. Remer; Columbia Circuit, P. H. Rishel and P. W. Raidabaugh; Luzerne Circuit, D. A. Kepner; Wyoming Circuit, S. I. Shortess; Susquehanna, J. W. Bentz; Cherry Circuit, T. M. Morris; Liberty Circuit, Z. Hornberger; Lycoming Circuit, J. Kramer and W. W. Rhoads; Williamsport Station, S. Smith; Williamsport Mission, S. T. Buck.

It was decided that a "Sunday School Convention" should be held during the year, and M. J. Carothers, J. Young, E. Kohr, Z. Hornberger and S. T. Buck were appointed as a committee to arrange for the same.

1871

The thirty-second annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in York, Pa., March 2, 1871.

In the absence of the bishop, J. Hartzler, secretary, was called to the chair, and M. J. Carothers was elected president pro-tem. I. M. Pines was appointed secretary, and appointed J. Young, H. B. Hartzler and G. E. Zehner as his assistants.

C. F. Deininger, who had been serving for several years in the Oregon Conference, returned and was heartily received.

Charges were preferred against S. W. Stayman and a committee appointed. The case of Wm. Reeser and I. Y. Reed was referred to their respective presiding elders.

Deacons' orders: J. M. King, H. Conrad, P. S. Orwig, W. M. Croman, P. W. Raidabaugh and W. W. Rhoads.

Elders: J. M. Ettinger, U. F. Swengel, A. W. Kreamer, and J. M. Price.

License to preach was granted: John Fenner, H. Hummelbaugh, G. Jackson, H. N. Greninger, R. C. Bowersox, A. Stapleton, R. Young, N. Young and Chas. Stroup.

Bishop J. J. Esher arrived at the opening of the afternoon session and presided.

Applicants for work: R. C. Bowersox, R. Young, N. Young, W. H. Stover, D. P. Rumberger, E. Swengel, A. W. Shenberger, Chas. Stroup, J. A. Irvine, and Samuel Yearick.

The conference was divided into four presiding elder districts.

"WHEREAS, An appeal was made to this Conference from Seneca County, New York by fifty-one members of the Evangelical Association of an appointment abandoned by the New York Conference to send them a minister with the assurance that his salary would be paid; therefore

"*Resolved*, That the appointment be taken up and supplied by this Conference and annexed to the Williamsport District."

Stationing Committee report:

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, J. Young, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, J. Hartzler; Baltimore, East, B. Hengst; Baltimore Circuit, C. H. Gramley and D. P. Rumberger; Baltimore Mission, J. M. Ettinger; Jarrettsville, H. A. Stoke; Shrewsbury, G. E. Zehner; Loganville Circuit, J. F. Manbeck and A. W. Shenberger; Glen Rock, S. P. Remer; York Circuit, P. H. Rishel and N. Young; York Station, J. C. Farnsworth; York Mission, U. F. Swengel; Washington, D. C., Mission, supplied by Board of Missions.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, C. F. Deininger, Presiding Elder; Conewago Circuit, H. A. Dietrick; Bendersville, J. M. Price; Cumberland Circuit, J. G. M. Swengel; Carlisle, H. B. Hartzler; Big Spring Circuit, A. W. Kreamer and G. L. Burson; Hagerstown Circuit, H. H. Ream; Marysville, J. M. Young; Perry Circuit, S. W. Seybert and R. C. Bowersox; Liverpool, D. A. Kepner; Middle Creek, S. E. Davis and S. Yerick; Troxelville, S. Aurand; Union Circuit, A. Rearick.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Buffalo Circuit, H. Conrad and P. W. Raidabaugh; Milton Mission, A. H. Irvine and supply; Hughesville Circuit, W. W. Rhoads and J. A. Irvine; Cherry Circuit, T. M. Morris; Danville, W. E. Detwiler; Columbia Circuit, H. W. Buck and E. Swengel; Orangeville, W. M. Croman; Luzerne Circuit, P. S. Orwig; Wyoming, S. I. Shortess; Susquehanna, J. W. Bentz; Lewisburg, I. M. Pines.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, S. Smith, Presiding Elder; Williamsport Station, J. Kreamer; Williamsport Mission, Geo. Hunter; Lycoming Circuit, A. Krouse and W. H. Davis; Jersey Shore Circuit, A. L. Reeser and Chas. Stroup; Clinton Circuit, A. Longsdorf and supply; Center Circuit, E. Stambach and M. Sloat; Lock Haven Circuit, J. M. King and L. K. Harris; Boalsburg Circuit, S. D. Bennington and W. H. Stover; Lock Haven Mission, S. T. Buck; Lock Mill, to be supplied; Liberty Circuit, M. W. Harris and R. Young; Seneca, Z. Hornberger.

The secretary being authorized to sign the names of the members of conference to the minutes, sixty-nine signatures appear.

1872

The thirty-third annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference met in the Green St. church, Baltimore, Md., March 7, 1872, with Bishop J. J. Esher presiding. Z. Hornberger was appointed secretary and appointed G. E. Zehner, I. M. Pines and C. H. Gramley assistants.

"WHEREAS, The last General Conference called several experienced members of this Conference to fill offices of trust; and

"WHEREAS, Brother A. L. Reeser was contemplating a change of Conference relations; therefore

"*Resolved*, That in view of the scarcity of experienced ministers, this Conference earnestly solicits Brother Reeser to remain with us."

License to preach: Eli Goodling, Henry C. Berger, Levi Dice, S. Herold, Philip Graham, F. C. Pandel, R. W. Runyan, G. W. Curren, L. Mathias, J. A. Hetner, E. M. Beaver, J. M. Longsdorf, J. M. Brader, A. W. Bower, Sanford Harding, H. S. Bower, F. M. Baker, A. J. Gramley, G. W. Gilmore, and C. F. Veil.

Ordained deacon: A. W. Shenberger, W. H. Stover, L. K. Harris, and G. L. Burson.

Ordained elder: G. E. Zehner, H. B. Hartzler, S. P. Remer, S. Yerick, H. H. Ream, and C. H. Gramley.

M. J. Carothers was reëlected and A. L. Reeser newly elected as presiding elders.

Prof. Denlinger addressed conference in the interest of Union Seminary at New Berlin, Pa.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, C. F. Deininger, Presiding Elder; Baltimore (Green Street), Fred Kurtz; Baltimore (East), B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, J. M. Ettinger; Baltimore Circuit, D. W. Miller and H. S. Bower; Alberton, C. H. Gramley; Jarrettsville, A. W. Shenberger; Shrewsbury, J. G. M. Swengel; Glen Rock, P. W. Raidabaugh; York Station, W. H. Stover; York Mission, U. F. Swengel; York Circuit, H. Conrad and N. Young; Prospect, P. H. Rishel and A. W. Bower; Loganville, J. C. Farnsworth; Washington Mission, E. B. Boller (by Board of Missions).

CARLISLE DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, H. H. Ream; Leesburg, S. P. Remer; Big Spring, G. L. Burson; Carlisle, H. B. Hartzler; Conewago, A. W. Kreamer and R. W. Runyan; Cumberland, H. A. Detrick; Bendersville, J. M. Price; Perry Circuit, S. W. Seybert and J. A. Irvin; Marysville, J. M. Young; Liverpool Circuit, D. A. Kepner and H. N. Greninger; Port Trevorton, R. Young and F. M. Baker; Troxelville, S. Aurand; Middleburg, S. E. Davis and J. A. Gramley.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, A. Rarick; Lewisburg, G. E. Zehner; Buffalo Circuit, E. Kohr and L. K. Harris; White Deer, W. H. Davis; Milton Mission, A. H. Irvin and J. M. Brader; Danville, W. E. Detwiler; Columbia Circuit, H. W. Buck and R. C. Bowersox; Orangeville, W. M. Croman; Hughesville, W. W. Rhoads and E. M. Beaver; Luzerne, P. S. Orwig; Wyoming Circuit, S. I. Shortess; Susquehanna, L. Mathias; Dushore, T. N. Norris.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, S. Smith, Presiding Elder; Williamsport Station, J. Kreamer; Williamsport Mission, I. M. Pines; Newberry Mission, Geo. Hunter; Lycoming Circuit, A. Krause and supply; Liberty Circuit, J. M. King and D. P. Rumberger; Jersey Shore Circuit, Z. Hornberger and J. A. Hetner; Nittany Valley, M. Sloat and J. M. Longsdorf; Center Hall, S. D. Benington and A. Stapleton; Center Circuit, M. W. Harris and S. Yerick; Sugar Valley, E. Stambach and G. W. Curren; Lock Haven Mission, S. T. Buck; Seneca, A. Markley.

1873

The thirty-fourth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Lewisburg, Pa., March 6, 1873. In the absence of the bishop, the secretary, Z. Hornberger conducted the opening service.

M. J. Carothers was unanimously elected temporary chairman, and I. M. Pines was appointed secretary, with S. W. Seybert and J. M. Ettinger as assistants.

Bishop J. J. Esher arrived at this time and took the chair. Licensed to preach: E. S. Brownmiller, E. Wilcox, H. W. Freed, M. D. Shirk, Abraham Suttin, P. F. Jarrett, A. W. Maxwell, H. E. Weirick, J. B. Curns, W. F. Reitmeyer, W. H. Kuhns, G. F. Yeager, and J. Hendricks.

Deacons: N. Young, R. Young, D. P. Rumberger, J. A. Irvine, J. S. Bair, J. A. Hetner, and B. Weingardner.

Elders: P. S. Orwig, W. W. Rhoads, P. W. Raidabaugh, J. M. King, H. Conrad, and W. M. Croman.

Received into the itinerancy: G. W. Currin, F. M. Baker, G. F. Yeager, L. Mathias, E. M. Beaver, J. M. Brader, J. M. Longsdorf, R. W. Runyan, A. Stapleton and A. W. Bower.

Fred Kurtz was received from the Wisconsin Conference with credentials.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, C. F. Deininger, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, Fred Kurtz; Baltimore (East), J. Kreamer; Baltimore Mission, B. Hengst; Baltimore Circuit, N. Young; Alberton, C. H. Gramley; Jarrettsville, A. W. Shenberger; Shrewsbury, J. G. M. Swengel; Glen Rock, P. W. Raidabaugh; York (German), S. Aurand; York Mission, U. F. Swengel; York Circuit, H. Conrad and E. S. Brownmiller; Prospect, P. H. Rishel and L. K. Harris; Loganville, J. C. Farnsworth.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, T. M. Morris; Leesburg, S. P. Remer; Big Spring, P. Graham; Carlisle, J. M. Ettinger; Cumberland, S. E. Davis and R. W. Runyan; Conewago Circuit, A. W. Kreamer and H. E. Weirick; Bendersville, J. A. Irvin and W. N. Wallis; Perry Circuit, H. A. Detrick and F. M. Baker; Marysville, W. H. Stover; Liverpool, J. M. Price; Troxelville, D. W. Miller; Middle Creek, S. Yerick and H. S. Bower; Port Trevorton, Z. Hornberger; Mifflin, S. W. Seybert.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit and Northumberland and Sunbury Missions, A. H. Irvin; Lewisburg, G. E. Zehner; Buffalo Circuit, E. Kohr and L. Mathias; White Deer, Geo. Hunter; Milton, H. B. Hartzler and A. W. Bower; Danville, W. E. Detwiler; Columbia Circuit, H. W. Buck and E. M. Beaver; Orangeville, J. M. Brader; Hughesville, G. L. Burson; Luzerne, W. W. Rhoads; Wyoming, P. S. Orwig; Susquehanna, S. I. Shortess; Dushore, H. H. Ream; Bloomsburg, R. C. Bowersox; Lairdsville, G. F. Yeager.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, S. Smith, Presiding Elder; Williamsport Station, A. Krause; Williamsport Mission, I. M. Pines; Newberry, R. J. Derrick; Lock Haven, S. T. Buck; Jersey Shore Circuit, A. Rarick and W. F. Reitmier; Nittany Valley, M. Sloat and G. W. Currin; Center Hall Circuit, R. Young and J. M. Longsdorf; Center Circuit, W. M. Harris and D. P. Rumberger; Sugar Valley Circuit, E. Stambach and J. A. Hetner; Lycoming Circuit, S. D. Benington and H. N. Greninger; Liberty Circuit, J. M. King and A. Stapleton; Senaca Circuit, P. N. Coup.

1874

The thirty-fifth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Carlisle, Pa., March 5, 1874.

In the absence of the bishop, M. J. Carothers was elected temporary chairman. In the examination of moral and official character, M. W. Harris, W. F. Ritemyer, Geo. Schaffer and J. B. Horn were deposed from the ministry.

Bishop R. Yeakel arrived and took the chair.

Ordained deacon: J. Dumm, Philip Graham, P. M. Coup, N. T. Meads, L. Mathias, J. M. Brader, A. W. Bower, E. Kleinfelter, R. W. Runyan, H. N. Grenninger, J. M. Longsdorf, Ed. Swengel, G. W. Currin, F. M. Baker, and G. F. Yeager.

Ordained elder: G. L. Burson, A. W. Shenberger, R. J. Derrick, and L. K. Harris.

Licensed: J. F. Thomas, G. Gohn, J. R. Smith, J. E. Courter, P. Graham, W. E. Shomaker, D. P. Kline, D. G. Peters, F. Terwilliger and Wm. Kutz.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, C. F. Deininger, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Station, F. Kurtz; Baltimore (East), B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, G. E. Zehner; Baltimore Circuit, N. Young; Jarrettsville, A. W. Kreamer; York Circuit, H. Conrad and D. P. Kline; York (Queen Street), Simon Aurand; York (King Street), H. B. Hartzler; Prospect Station, Ed. Swengel; Prospect Circuit, G. W. Curren; Loganville, J. Kreamer; Shrewsbury, J. G. M. Swengel; Glen Rock, P. W. Raidabaugh.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, J. M. Ettinger; Hagerstown Circuit, J. W. Clair; Leesburg, H. A. Stoke; Big Spring, P. Graham; Cumberland, S. E. Davis; Conewago Circuit, J. A. Irvin and A. Stapleton; Bendersville, J. M. Longsdorf; Perry Circuit, H. A. Detrick and R. W. Runyan; Marysville, T. M. Morris; Liverpool Circuit, J. A. Hetner; Liverpool Station, J. M. Price; Port Trevorton, Z. Hornberger; Middleburg, S. Yerick and W. N. Wallis; McClure, D. W. Miller; Mifflin Mission, S. W. Seibert; McVeytown, L. Dice.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, N. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, A. H. Irvin; Buffalo Circuit, Geo. Hunter and P. F. Jarrett; White Deer, E. Kohr; Lewisburg, W. E. Detwiler; Milton Circuit, A. W. Shenberger and A. Terwilleger; Northumberland, A. W. Maxwell; Danville, H. W. Buck; Columbia, S. P. Remer and W. N. Croman; Bloomsburg, R. C. Bowersox; Luzerne, W. W. Rhoads; Wyoming, P. S. Orwig; Susquehanna, S. I. Shortess; Dushore, A. W. Bower; Wilmot, H. H. Ream; Lairdsville, G. F. Yeager; Hughesville, G. L. Burson; Orangeville, J. M. Brader.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, S. Smith, Presiding Elder; Williamsport Station, A. Krause; Williamsport Mission, I. M. Pines; Newberry, S. T. Buck; Lycoming, P. H. Rishel and L. K. Harris; Liberty, H. N. Greninger; Jersey Shore, A. Rarick and N. B. Shirk; Sugar Valley, D. P. Rumberger and H. S. Bower; Center, W. H. Stover and P. M. Coup; Center Hall, R. Young and E. M. Beaver; Nittany Valley, M. Sloat and J. R. Smith; Lock Haven, U. F. Swengel; Canton, J. M. King; Duboisstown, J. Archer; Senaca, R. J. Derrick; Altoona, to be supplied.

1875

The thirty-sixth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in New Berlin, Pa., March 4, 1875, with Bishop J. J. Esher presiding, and I. M. Pines, secretary.

Ordained deacons: A. Stapleton, H. S. Bower, W. N. Wallis, I. S. Frain, and I. Vonada.

Elders: R. Young, R. C. Bowersox, N. Young, J. A. Hetner, J. A. Irvine, and W. H. Stover.

Received into the itinerancy: John James, D. P. Kline, P. F. Jarrett and J. E. Courter.

Elected presiding elders: E. Kohr and S. W. Seybert.

Conversions during the year, 2,043. Total membership, 11,003.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore (Green Street), Fred Kurtz; Baltimore (East), B. Hengst; Baltimore Mission, J. W. Clair; Baltimore Circuit, N. Young; Jarrettsville, A. W. Kreamer; York Circuit, S. Aurand and Geo. Carothers; York (German), C. F. Deininger; York (English), H. B. Hartzler; Prospect Circuit, G. W. Curren and H. C. Berger; Loganville, J. Kreamer; Shrewsbury, H. Conrad; Glen Rock, J. Archer; Conewago Circuit, E. Swengel.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, W. N. Wallis; Leesburg, H. A. Stoke; Big Spring, P. Graham; Mt. Holly, J. M. Longsdorf; Carlisle, I. M. Pines; Cumberland, R. C. Bowersox; Bendersville, G. F. Yarger; Dillsburg, S. E. Davis; Marysville, S. I. Shortess; Perry Circuit, H. A. Deitrick; Newport, A. Stapleton; Millerstown, J. A. Hetner; Liverpool Station, J. M. Ettinger.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Union Circuit, S. Smith; Buffalo Circuit, Geo. Hunter and P. F. Jarrett; White Deer, P. W. Raidabaugh; Milton Mission, A. W. Shenberger; Milton Circuit, W. H. Davis; Lewisburg, J. G. M. Swengel; Hughesville, P. M. Coup; Lairdsville, L. Mathias; Dushore, G. E. Zehner; Wilmot, H. H. Reem; Danville, H. W. Buck; Bloomsburg, J. A. Irvine; Columbia Circuit, S. P. Remer; Berwick, W. M. Croman; Orangeville, J. M. Brader; Luzerne, G. L. Burson; Kingston, P. S. Orwig; Wyoming and Susquehanna, W. W. Rhoads; Northumberland, to be supplied.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Williamsport Station, A. Krouse; Williamsport Mission, A. H. Irvine; Newberry and Duboistown, S. T. Buck and J. E. Courter; Lycoming Circuit, P. H. Rishel and P. W. Group; Jersey Shore Circuit, A. Rearick and B. F. Keller; Lock Haven, U. F. Swengel; Sugar Valley Circuit, R. Young; Nittany Valley Circuit, W. E. Detwiler and S. O. Musselman; Center Circuit, J. M. Price and D. P. Kline; Center Hall Circuit and Milesburg, M. Sloat and L. K. Harris; Liberty Circuit, H. N. Grenninger and J. F. Shultz; Canton, J. M. King; Seneca, R. J. Derrick; Altoona Mission, to be supplied.

1876

The thirty-seventh annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Green Street church, Baltimore, Md., March 2, 1876, with Bishop Thomas Bowman presiding; U. F. Swenger, secretary; and I. M. Pines and J. M. Ettinger, assistants.

Licensed: J. W. Lindsey, J. F. McCachran, D. S. Lepley, H. S.

Basom, J. J. Lohr, F. Passmore, Geo. Josephs, P. C. Weidemeyer, W. H. Lilly and J. H. Hertz.

Jacob Young was transferred to the Ohio Conference. M. J. Carothers and A. L. Reeser were reelected presiding elders.

Ordained deacons: D. P. Kline, J. E. Courter, P. F. Jarrett, Levi Dice, and Geo. Carothers.

Elders: E. Swengel, G. W. Currin, G. F. Yeager, L. Mathias, P. M. Coup, J. M. Longsdorf, J. M. Brader, H. N. Greninger, F. M. Baker, and A. W. Bower.

S. T. Buck was elected collector for the proposed "Centennial College" endowment fund.

Prof. F. M. Baker addressed conference in the interest of Union Seminary.

YORK DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Mission, J. Archer; Baltimore Circuit, H. N. Greninger; Jarrettsville, P. F. Jarrett; Shrewsbury, J. M. Longsdorf; Glen Rock, H. W. Buck; Loganville, J. Kreamer; York (German), C. F. Deininger; York (English), A. W. Bower; York Circuit, S. Aurand and W. H. Lilley; Prospect Circuit, G. W. Currin and P. C. Weidemeyer; Conewago Circuit, E. Swengel; Dillsburg, S. E. Davis; Bendersville, H. S. Bower; Cumberland Circuit, R. C. Bowersox and B. F. Hall.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, H. A. Stoke; Big Spring, Geo. Carothers; Leesburg, J. M. Ettinger; Hagerstown Circuit, W. N. Wallis; Marysville, S. I. Shortess; Newport, A. Stapleton; Perry Circuit, I. M. Pines; Millerstown Circuit, R. W. Runyan; Patterson and Lewistown, Z. Hornberger; Liverpool Station, A. W. Kreamer; McClure Circuit, A. Krause and B. F. Anthony; Middleburg Circuit, D. W. Miller and J. Shambach; Union Circuit, S. Smith; Mifflinburg Circuit, Levi Dice; Port Trevorton, T. M. Morris.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, J. G. M. Swengel; Buffalo Circuit, Geo. Hunter; White Deer, J. M. Brader; Milton, A. W. Shenberger; Danville, P. W. Raidabaugh; Bloomsburg, J. A. Irvine; Berwick, W. M. Croman; Kingston, P. S. Orwig; Milton Circuit, Geo. Josephs; Hughesville, P. M. Coup; Luzerne, G. L. Burson; Wyoming, W. W. Rhoads; Susquehanna, W. H. Davis; Orangeville, J. A. Hetner; Columbia Circuit, S. P. Remer; Dushore, G. E. Zehner; Williamsport Station, S. Yerick; Lairdsville, L. Mathias; Williamsport Mission, A. H. Irvine.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Williamsport and Newberry, A. H. Irvine and P. W. Group; Lock Haven, U. F. Swengel; Duboistown, J. E. Courter; Jersey Shore Circuit, H. A. Detrick and D. P. Kline; Nittany Valley Circuit, W. E. Detwiler and J. J. Lohr; Sugar Valley Circuit, R. Young; Center Hall, M. Sloat; Lycoming Circuit, P. H. Rishel and J. H. Peters; Milesburg, L. K. Harris; Liberty Circuit, N. Young and B. F. Keller; Canton, J. M. King; Seneca, R. J. Derrick; Dansville, J. F. Shultz.

Committee on Education:

"WHEREAS, At the last Annual Session of Conference, the initiatory steps were taken to supply a want long since felt by us in common with our brethren in the East Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh Conferences, in the establishment of a College to be located somewhere within the bounds of Pennsylvania, and

"WHEREAS, This Conference has solicited the hearty coöperation and equal participation of the East Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh Conferences in the enterprise; and

"WHEREAS, The East Pennsylvania Conference has, at its late annual session held in Schuylkill Haven, Pa., taken the necessary steps leading to the establishment of such an institution, and

"WHEREAS, It is confidently hoped that the Pittsburgh Conference, at its coming session, will unite with the East Pennsylvania and the Central Pennsylvania Conferences in this project; therefore

"Resolved, That this Conference adopt the plan laid down by the East Pennsylvania Conference, namely:

"First. That an endowment fund of One Hundred Thousand Dollars be secured.

"Second. The subscriptions shall not become binding until Seventy-five Thousand Dollars of this amount shall have been subscribed.

"Third. When this amount shall have been secured, ten per cent of the sum subscribed shall be paid and the balance to be divided into four equal installments, the first to be paid in two years after the subscription becomes binding; the second installment, four years thereafter; the third, six years thereafter, and the fourth at least eight years thereafter.

"Fourth. That approved notes be required bearing lawful interest from the time the obligation becomes binding.

"Resolved, That we appoint a Traveling Agent, to canvass this Conference district to solicit subscriptions toward said fund, the salary of said Agent to be fixed by Conference.

"Resolved, That subscriptions be opened at this Conference session for the project above specified.

"Resolved, That the conference appoint a delegation to attend the coming annual session of the Pittsburgh Conference in behalf of this enterprise.

"Resolved, That the following brethren constitute the College Committee: M. J. Carothers, C. F. Deininger and Abraham Eyer."

It should be noted that the above, "Centennial College" project proved to be a total failure, and that the soliciting and efforts in its behalf had a rather detrimental influence among the patrons of Union Seminary at New Berlin, Pa., and is referred to as one of the contributing causes which almost closed the doors of the same in the fall of 1878, when the student body was reduced to but eighteen students, six rooming in the building and twelve day students.

1877

The thirty-eighth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Bennet St. church, Williamsport, Pa., March

8, 1877, with Bishop R. Yeakel presiding; U. F. Swengel, secretary; I. M. Pines and A. Stapleton, assistants.

Josiah Bowersox and A. W. Bower were granted credentials to the Pacific Conference.

Licensed: D. M. Strine, C. Stroup, J. C. Reeser, John McCamey, W. H. Hartman, H. Vanson, J. A. Hollenbaugh, T. A. Shortess, H. W. Gross, F. S. Vought, S. F. Sheary and A. W. Berry.

Ordained elders: A. Stapleton, H. S. Bower, W. N. Wallis.

Deacons: P. W. Group, B. F. Keller, B. F. Anthony, H. C. Berger, and J. F. Shultz.

Prof. J. W. Bentz addressed conference in the interest of Union Seminary.

Elected college committee: M. J. Carothers, S. Smith, S. W. Seybert and E. Kohr. Laymen: Isaiah Bower, Abraham Eyer and N. T. Dundore.

P. M. Coup refused to take his appointment and was granted a dismissal from conference.

YORK DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Mission, J. Archer; Baltimore Circuit, H. N. Greninger and H. S. Basom; Jarrettsville, P. F. Jarrett; Shrewsbury, J. M. Longsdorf; Glen Rock, H. W. Buck; Loganville, T. M. Morris; York Mission, E. Swengel; York Circuit, S. Aurand and H. W. Gross; Prospect Circuit, R. J. Derrick and H. C. Berger; Lewisberry, S. E. Davis; Dillsburg, W. N. Wallis; Bendersville, B. F. Keller; Cumberland Circuit, R. C. Bowersox and J. C. Reeser.

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WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Lock Haven, P. H. Rishel; Duboistown, J. E. Corter; Jersey Shore Circuit, D. P. Kline and G. H. Schlegel; Nittany Valley Circuit, W. E. Detwiler and J. J. Lohr; Sugar Valley Circuit, R. Young; Brush Valley Circuit, J. Kreamer; Center Circuit, C. F. Deininger and J. H. Peters; Lycoming Circuit, J. G. M. Swengel; Williamsport Circuit, D. W. Miller; Williamsport Mission, A. H.

Irvine; Milesburg, J. M. King; Liberty Circuit, N. Young and C. F. Gehart; Canton, L. K. Harris; Center Hall, W. H. Stover; Newberry, P. W. Group; Dansville Circuit, J. F. Shultz; Seneca, U. F. Swengel.

1878

The thirty-ninth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened at Glen Rock, Pa., March 7, 1878, with Bishop R. Dubs presiding. U. F. Swengel was appointed secretary, who chose I. M. Pines, P. W. Raidabaugh and P. W. Group as assistants.

P. H. Rishel made a statement of his work as agent for Lock Haven Mission for the past year, and also a farewell address and withdrew to the Kansas Conference.

Ordained elders: D. P. Kline, P. F. Jarrett and L. Dice.

Deacons: Geo. Josephs, J. Shambach, J. J. Lohr, P. C. Weidemeyer, J. H. Peters, W. H. Lilley and A. J. Gramley.

Supernumerary: R. W. Runyan, L. Mathias, R. C. Bowersox, H. Conrad, E. Stambach, Geo. Carothers, B. F. Hall and Geo. Hunter.

J. C. Farnsworth was transferred together with York (Queen St.) to the Atlantic Conference.

Licensed: Edward Crumbling, E. James, E. P. Leonard, J. S. Lower, Jacob Lawver, J. N. Ross and W. F. Gladfelter.

Z. Hornberger, S. I. Shortess and D. W. Miller were appointed a committee to receive money for the Hughesville church.

H. K. Binckley surrendered his license to a committee.

J. Archer, R. J. Derrick and H. H. Ream were granted honorable dismissals from conference.

Committee on Education reported:

"WHEREAS, Resolutions were adopted by the East and Central Pa. Conferences at their annual sessions in 1876, providing for the raising of an Endowment Fund of \$100,000, to be used for educational purposes, the subscriptions to said fund not to become binding until \$75,000 be secured, and

"WHEREAS, A sum not exceeding \$15,000 has already been subscribed on said basis in the Central Pa. Conference, which sum it is desirable to hold and add thereto, and

"WHEREAS, There is a pressing and increasing necessity that such a fund be raised as early as possible, and

"WHEREAS, The stringency of the times and want of means to defray the expenses of a traveling agent in the interest of said fund, places the realization of the amount which renders the subscriptions binding far in the future; therefore

"Resolved, That we steadily aim at and put forth earnest efforts to raise the amount specified in the resolution of the conference passed in 1876.

"WHEREAS, The East Pa. Conference has had an offer of a property, without cost, for a higher institution of learning, situated in Mt. Carmel, Pa., and

"WHEREAS, Said conference has appointed a committee of five to inquire into, and, if possible, secure the property without cost to the conference for educational purposes, and

"WHEREAS, Said committee has been empowered to organize and conduct a school at a cost to the conference not exceeding \$1,000, for which sum their conference is pledged, and

"WHEREAS, A committee of two has been appointed to bring this matter before this conference and secure its coöperation in this enterprise; therefore

"Resolved, That we deem it inexpedient at least for the present under existing depression of business and without the requisite endowment, to unite with our brethren of the East Pa. Conference in this enterprise."

YORK DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Mission to be supplied; Baltimore Circuit, H. N. Greninger and E. Crumbling; Shrewsbury, P. S. Orwig; Jarrettsville, P. F. Jarrett; Glen Rock, H. W. Buck; Loganville, T. M. Morris; York, S. Aurand; York Circuit, A. Krouse and C. F. Gephart; Prospect, J. M. Ettinger; Peach Bottom Circuit, L. Dice; Lewisberry, S. E. Davis; Dillsburg Circuit, W. N. Wallis; Bendersville Circuit, H. A. Stoke; Cumberland Circuit, E. Swengel and E. James.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, A. H. Irvine; Big Springs, S. I. Shortess and H. W. Gross; Hagerstown Circuit, B. F. Anthony; Marysville, G. E. Zehner; Newport and Patterson, G. W. Currin; Perry Circuit, J. M. Longsdorf; Liverpool Circuit, Geo. Josephs and B. F. Keller; McClure Circuit, J. M. Price and J. Shambach; Middleburg, S. Smith and E. P. Leonard; Union Circuit, I. M. Pines; Mifflinburg Circuit, P. C. Weidemeyer; Port Trevorton, J. Young.

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1879

The fortieth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Lewisburg, Pa., March 6, 1879, with Bishop Thomas Bowman, presiding, U. F. Swengel, secretary, and A. Stapleton, G. L. Burson, and P. W. Group, assistants.

"WHEREAS, A considerable debt rests upon this conference in consequence of the employment of Brother S. T. Buck, as traveling agent, to secure a college endowment; therefore

"Resolved, That the Committee on Boundaries be requested to prepare a plan for the apportionment of said indebtedness upon the different charges, and report during the present session of this conference."

Later in the session this action was taken:

"The debt resting on conference as a result of our endeavor to raise a College Endowment Fund, was apportioned to the members of this conference, with the privilege of collecting it on the various charges of this conference."

Licensed: J. A. Kepner, J. W. Messinger, H. M. Evans, C. W. Finkbinder, D. M. Brumgard, Jesse Reynolds, and H. H. Douty.

Benj. Hengst received on credentials from the Atlantic Conference.

Ordained elders: P. W. Group, B. F. Keller, B. F. Anthony, and J. F. Shultz.

Deacons: J. A. Hollenbaugh, J. C. Reeser, G. H. Schlegel, J. H. Hertz, C. F. Gephart, and H. W. Gross.

E. Kohr reelected and W. E. Detwiler newly-elected presiding elders.

"Resolved, That our delegates to General Conference be instructed to form a minute in favor of having female members of our Church made eligible to the offices of Class Leader, Exhorter, Sunday-school Superintendent and Steward."

YORK DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Mission, B. Hengst; Baltimore Circuit, T. M. Morris and Ed. Crumbling; Shrewsbury, P. S. Orwig; Jarrettsville, L. Dice; Glen Rock, P. W. Group; Loganville, H. N. Greninger; York Circuit, S. Yearick and C. W. Finkbinder; York Mission, S. Aurand; Prospect Circuit, H. A. Stoke and J. Shambach; Lewisberry, S. E. Davis; Dillsburg Circuit, G. H. Schlegel; Bendersville, P. F. Jarrett; Cumberland Circuit, Ed. Swengel and C. F. Gephart; Carlisle, A. H. Irvine.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Big Spring, S. I. Shortess; Leesburg, H. W. Gross; Hagerstown Circuit, B. F. Anthony; Marysville, Geo. Josephs; Newport and Patterson, G. E. Zehner; Perry Circuit, J. M. Longsdorf; Liverpool, S. W. Seybert; McClure Circuit, N. Young and E. P. Leonard; Union, I. M. Pines; Mifflinburg Circuit, P. C. Weidemeyer; Port Trevorton, J. G. M. Swengel; Center Circuit, C. F. Deininger and W. H. Hartman; Brush Valley, H. W. Stover; Juniata, B. F. Keller.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, W. M. Croman; Buffalo, Z. Hornberger; White deer, G. W. Currin and D. W. Bixler; Danville, Geo. Hunter; Bloomsburg, L. K. Harris; Columbia, W. W. Rhoads; Berwick, J. M. Ettinger; Luzerne, J. M. Price; Catawissa Circuit, J. H. Hertz; Wyoming, G. L. Burson; Lenoxville, J. A. Hollenbaugh; Susquehanna, H. H. Douty; Dushore, W. N. Wallis; Hughesville, J. F. Shultz; New Columbus, W. H. Lilly; Milton, S. P. Remer; Kingston, to be supplied.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Lock Haven, J. J. Lohr; Jersey Shore Circuit, H. W. Buck and F. S. Vought; Nittany Valley Circuit, Reuben Young and H. M. Evans; Sugar Valley Circuit, D. P. Kline; Lycoming, A. Krause; Williamsport Circuit, Jacob Young; Williamsport Station, D. W. Miller; Williamsport Mission, J. A. Irvine; Milesburg, J. M. King; East Liberty, A. Stapleton; Liberty, M. Sloat; Can-

ton, J. M. Brader; Center Hall, Jacob Boas; Newberry, J. C. Reeser; Dansville, J. H. Peters; Seneca, U. F. Swengel.

1880

The forty-first annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Berwick, Pa., March 4, 1880, with Bishop J. J. Esher in the chair, U. F. Swengel, secretary; A. Stapleton, P. W. Raidabaugh, and A. H. Irvine, assistants.

Elders orders: J. J. Lohr, W. H. Lilley, J. H. Peters, Geo. Josephs, and P. C. Weidemyer.

Deacons orders: E. P. Leonard, E. Crumbling, H. H. Douty, B. Garison, and Daniel Shoemaker.

"WHEREAS, our esteemed Brother J. M. Ettinger, the pastor of this church, has for some time been afflicted and is even now unable to attend the sessions of this conference; therefore

"Resolved, That we express to him our warmest sympathy and pray God that he may be speedily restored to his wonted health."

License to preach the Gospel was granted to: J. E. Britcher, Chas. H. Goodling, James R. Sechrist, H. H. Brenneman, W. J. W. Davis, I. C. Yeakel, M. F. Fosselman, H. T. Searle, Elmer Dietrick, H. Price, and J. M. Dick.

A. L. Reeser was reëlected, and U. F. Swengel newly elected to the office of Presiding Elder.

The following is an excerpt from a letter addressed to conference by Rev. J. Hartzler:

"My retirement from the editorship of *The Evangelical-Messenger*, having (in point of law) terminated my membership in the Ohio Conference, and being now under appointment of the Missionary Society of the Evangelical Association, as superintendent of our mission in Japan, I beg to be enrolled as a member of the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

"We have engaged passage on the steamer *City of Peking* which is to sail from San Francisco on the first of May, on an unbroken voyage of five thousand miles. We shall leave Cleveland for San Francisco about the middle of April, God willing. The bare thought of the coming separation from loved ones in the homeland is painful and yet we expect to go with genuine gladness, feeling assured that the path of duty is the path of peace and the way to unending glory. We shall always keep our windows open toward Jerusalem.

"J. HARTZLER."

"WHEREAS, Brother J. Hartzler, formerly a member of this conference, has been appointed by the Board of Missions to act as superintendent of our Heathen Mission in Japan, and requests enrollment as a member of this conference; therefore

"Resolved, That we cheerfully accede to his request, and pray that God's blessing may richly rest on him and his wife as laborers in that far off mission field."

Conference Missionary Debt:

"Resolved, That we make an extra effort to raise five thousand dollars, so as to be able to carry our present missions along this year, and materially reduce our missionary debt.

"Resolved, That our board of Presiding Elders shall assess all our circuits, stations and missions, with a view of raising the above stated amount, and report at this conference.

"Resolved, That every minister shall be required to put forth earnest and faithful efforts on his charge to raise his assessment. In case a brother should fail, after having done his best to raise his assessment, he shall be exonerated. But in case a brother should neglect to put forth an earnest and faithful effort on his charge, he shall be regarded as having neglected his duty, all of which is to be determined at our next annual session in the examination of moral and official character."

Conference Journal:

"Resolved, That the secretary of conference be instructed to prepare a journal of the proceedings of this conference session for publication, provided sufficient financial encouragement be given by this body.

"Resolved, That after the expenses and the secretary are paid, the surplus, if any, be paid into the missionary treasury."

P. W. Raidabaugh was appointed to canvass the conference in the interest of the Journal.

YORK DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore Mission, B. Hengst; Baltimore Circuit, T. M. Morris; Elysville, E. Crumbling; Shrewsbury, P. S. Orwig; Jarrettsville, L. Dice; Glen Rock, P. W. Group; Loganville, H. N. Greninger; York Mission, P. W. Raidabaugh; York Circuit, S. Yerick and C. W. Finkbinder; Prospect Circuit, H. A. Stoke and J. Shambach; Lewisberry, B. F. Anthony; Dillsburg, G. H. Schleh; Bendersville, P. F. Jarrett; Cumberland Circuit, S. Aurand and C. F. Gephart; missionary to Japan, J. Hartzler; Carlisle, A. H. Irvine.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, U. F. Swengel, Presiding Elder; Big Spring Circuit, J. F. Shultz; Leesburg, H. W. Gross; Hagerstown, J. M. Longsdorf; Marysville, Geo. Joseph; Newport and Patterson, G. E. Zehner; Perry Circuit, J. M. Brader; Liverpool, S. W. Seybert; McClure Circuit, N. Young and E. P. Leonard; Middleburg Circuit, C. F. Deininger and E. James; Union Circuit, I. M. Pines; Mifflinburg Circuit, P. C. Weidemyer; Port Trevorton Circuit, J. W. Bentz; Center Circuit, S. Smith and W. H. Hartman; Brush Valley Circuit, W. H. Stover; Juniata Circuit, L. K. Harris; S. I. Shortess, agent of Union Seminary.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, W. M. Croman; Buffalo Valley, Z. Hornberger; White Deer Circuit, G. W. Currin; Danville, Geo. Hunter; Bloomsburg, S. E. Davis; Columbia Circuit, W. W. Rhoads; Berwick, J. M. Ettinger; Luzerne, J. M. Price; Catawissa Circuit, J. H. Hertz; Wyoming Circuit, H. H. Douty; Lenoxville, J. A. Hollenbaugh; Susquehanna Circuit, J. W. Messinger; Dushore and Bernice, B. F. Keller; Hughesville, J. H. Peters; New Columbus, W. H. Lilley; Milton, S. P. Remer; Kingston, G. L. Burson.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), D. W. Miller; Williamsport (Bennett Street), M. J. Carothers; Williamsport Circuit, R. Young; Lock Haven, J. Young; Jersey Shore Circuit, H. W. Buck and F. S. Vought; Nittany Valley Circuit, J. A. Irvine and J. M. Dick; Sugar Valley Circuit, D. P. Kline; Lycoming Circuit, A. Krause; Milesburg, J. J. Lohr; Center Hall Circuit, J. Boas; Newberry, J. C. Reeser; Liberty, M. Sloat; East Liberty, A. Stapleton; Canton Circuit, J. M. King; Dansville Circuit, W. N. Wallis; Seneca, E. Swengel.

1881

The forty-second annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference was held in Lock Haven, Pa., March 3, 1881, with Bishop Thomas Bowman, presiding; E. Swengel, secretary; P. W. Raidabaugh, I. M. Pines, and A. H. Irvine, assistants.

"Resolved, That the CONFERENCE JOURNAL be published by the secretary, and that the names of all persons contributing 25 cents and upwards to the missionary cause be published in the CONFERENCE JOURNAL."

Deacons orders: C. W. Finkbinder, W. H. Hartman, C. C. Reen, F. S. Vought, J. D. Stover, and Isaiah Bower.

Elders orders: J. C. Reeser, H. W. Gross, J. A. Hollenbaugh, G. H. Schleh, C. F. Gephart, and J. H. Hertz.

Licensed to preach: M. J. Snyder, A. W. Swengel, S. O. McCurdy, and J. D. Shortess.

P. W. Raidabaugh was elected editor of the *Conference Journal* for next year.

Conference Debt: The special committee appointed to adjust the debt of Conference arising from the salary of college agent reported.

"That the money necessary to pay the notes given by conference has been secured and the debts all paid. The balance of the money borrowed by the conference from the Educational Fund, has been paid back to the treasurer of the Educational Society, or to S. I. Shortess, superintendent of Union Seminary, by direction of said treasurer."

"E. KOHR, Treasurer of Conference."

Strong resolutions were adopted condemning "Speculative Life Insurance," which seeks as favorite subjects the aged and sick.

YORK DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore, A. H. Irvine; White Ground, T. M. Morris; Elysville, E. Crumbling; Howard, C. W. Finkbinder; Jarrettsville, L. Dice; Shrewsbury, W. W. Rhoads; Glen Rock, P. W. Group; Loganville, H. N. Greninger; York, P. W. Raidabaugh; York Circuit, S. Yearick and C. H. Goodling; Prospect, J. Shambach and C. F. Gephart; Lewisberry, B. F. Anthony; Dillsburg, G. H. Schleh; Bendersville, P. F. Jarrett; Cumberland, S. Aurand and M. J. Snyder; Carlisle, W. M. Croman; superintendent of Japan Mission, J. Hartzler.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, U. F. Swengel, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, J. M. Longsdorf; Leesburg, J. F. Shultz; Big Spring, J. Boas; Fishing Creek Valley, Geo. Joseph; Perry, J. M. Brader; Newport and Marysville,

P. S. Orwig; Liverpool, W. H. Lilley; Juniata, J. D. Stover; Lewistown and Patterson, G. E. Zehner; McClure, N. Young and M. F. Fosselman; Middleburg, C. F. Deininger and E. D. Keene; Port Trevorton, J. W. Bentz; Union, H. W. Gross; Mifflinburg Circuit, S. Smith; Center, P. C. Weidemyer and J. M. Dick; Brush Valley, W. H. Stover; superintendent of Union Seminary, S. I. Shortess.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, B. Hengst; Buffalo Valley, D. P. Kline; White Deer, G. W. Curren; Danville, Z. Hornberger; Bloomsburg, S. E. Davis; Columbia, I. M. Pines; Berwick, J. M. Ettinger; Luzerne, F. S. Vought; Catawissa, J. H. Hertz; Wyoming, H. H. Douty; West Clifford, W. H. Hartman; Susquehanna, J. W. Messenger; Dushore and Bernice, G. L. Burson; Hughesville, J. H. Peters; New Columbus, B. F. Keller; Milton, H. A. Stoke; collector for Mission Churches, M. J. Carothers.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser, Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), D. W. Miller; Williamsport (Bennett Street), J. C. Reeser; Williamsport Circuit, R. Young; Newberry, M. Sloat; Jersey Shore, H. W. Buck and H. T. Searle; Lock Haven, J. Young; Nittany Valley, J. A. Irvine and A. W. Swengel; Sugar Valley, J. G. M. Swengel; Center Hall, Geo. Hunter; Milesburg, J. J. Lohr; Lycoming, A. Krause; Liberty, J. M. Price; East Liberty, A. Stapleton; Canton, J. M. King; Dansville, W. N. Wallis; Seneca, E. Swengel.

Mission Church Debts:

"Resolved, That we recommend the propriety of consolidating all our mission church debts in the conference district with the following conditions:

"1. That a committee of five be appointed at this session, to decide how much each congregation shall pay of its debt.

"2. That the congregations refusing to pay the amount assessed upon them shall not be taken into the consolidation.

"3. That conference assume the balance.

"4. That an agent be appointed to canvass the conference district for funds.

"5. That all funds collected, whether by the agent or congregations, be placed in the hands of the agent who shall make payments.

"6. That the salary of the agent be paid out of the funds which he collects."

The appointment of the agent was referred to the Stationing Committee, who at the proper time appointed M. J. Carothers, as the agent.

Prof. A. E. Gobble, principal of Union Seminary, was received into this conference on credentials from the East Pennsylvania Conference, and S. O. Musselman was received on credentials from the Kansas Conference.

1882

The forty-third annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened March 2, 1882, in Carlisle, Pa., with Bishop R. Dubs, presiding, P. W. Raidabaugh, secretary, I. M. Pines, A. H.

Irvine, and E. Crumbling, assistants. In the case of B. F. Anthony, the committee reported that the parties at variance had become reconciled.

John Koons, J. F. Craul, J. H. Welch, H. A. Benfer, and H. Armstrong, were licensed to preach the Gospel.

Deacons orders: J. M. Dick, A. E. Gobble, John McKamey, and E. W. Koontz.

Elders orders: E. Crumbling and H. H. Douty.

The Committee on mission-church debts reported that they had conferred with the trustees of the several mission churches in this conference which are burdened with debts.

"WHEREAS, The collector appointed at our last annual conference session has been working hard and successfully, and

"WHEREAS, Claims not anticipated at the time of appointment have been pressed upon us, and thus the amount has been greatly augmented, and

"WHEREAS, There remains a deficiency of over \$1,200, for which conference has made itself responsible, and which must in some way be provided for; therefore

"Resolved, That we recommend to the annual conference the propriety of appointing a collector for the coming year.

"U. F. SWENGEL, *Secretary.*"

Report of the Conference collector for mission-church debts. M. J. Carothers made a very gratifying report of the results of his labors to collect funds for the liquidation of the debts on our mission churches:

"The burdensome and pressing debts of a number of the Mission Churches of our conference demanded prompt effort to save them from being sacrificed, and, no doubt lost to us as a denomination.

"The plan of the conference, to encourage and inspire confidence in our mission congregations, to make a vigorous effort to help themselves, by appointing an agent to canvass the Conference District in behalf of the Mission Churches, has been very successful, as they have all promptly rallied once more, and raised the amount by pledges, or in cash, assessed upon them by the committee."

It now remains with the Conference to keep faith with the Mission Churches, and adopt such measures that will be most advantageous to that end.

M. J. Carothers was unanimously elected to serve as agent for mission churches for another year, at a salary of \$725.00, including house rent.

The presiding elders, the agent for mission churches and the preacher in charge of Lewistown were appointed a committee to consider the feasibility of building a church in Lewistown.

S. W. Seibert, G. E. Zehner, and P. W. Raidabaugh were ap-

pointed as a committee to collect material for the observance of the Semicentennial of our Conference.

By permission of Conference, The Educational Society held its 14th annual session, M. J. Carothers, presiding.

"Resolved, That the society request the conference to comply with its resolution of last year, in taking over Union Seminary.

"WHEREAS, S. I. Shortess, superintendent of Union Seminary, has circulated a subscription for the purpose of repairing and enlarging the seminary building; therefore

"Resolved, That we endorse his action, rejoice in his success, and encourage him to prosecute the enterprise to its final completion."

Board of officers elected: M. J. Carothers, president; Z. Hornberger and U. F. Swengel, vice-presidents; I. M. Pines, secretary; A. H. Irvine, treasurer.

Trustees: S. Aurand, M. J. Carothers, S. Smith, Z. Hornberger, D. W. Miller, J. Boas, U. F. Swengel, M. Sloat, and J. W. Eyer.

Sunday School and Tract Society: C. F. Deininger, president; D. W. Miller, first vice-pres.; H. A. Stoke, second vice-pres.; S. P. Remer, secretary; P. S. Orwig, assistant secretary; Geo. Hunter, treasurer.

P. W. Raidabaugh was elected editor of the *Conference Journal*.

YORK DISTRICT, E. Kohr, Presiding Elder; Baltimore, A. H. Irvine; White Ground, S. Yerick; Howard, C. W. Finkbinder; Jarrettsville, B. F. Anthony; Shrewsbury, W. W. Rhoads; Glen Rock, E. Crumbling; Loganville, J. Shambach; York, P. W. Raidabaugh; York Circuit, H. N. Greninger and M. J. Snyder; Prospect, G. H. Schleh and C. H. Goodling; Lewisberry, L. Dice; Dillsburg, P. F. Jarrett; Bendersville, F. S. Vought; Cumberland, S. Aurand and J. R. Sechrist; Carlisle, W. M. Croman; superintendent of Japan Mission, J. Hartzler.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, U. F. Swengel, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, Geo. Joseph; Leesburg, W. H. Lilley; Big Spring, J. Boas; Fishing Creek Valley, L. K. Harris; Perry, J. F. Shultz; Newport and Marysville, P. S. Orwig; Liverpool, J. M. Dick; Juniata, J. M. Longsdorf; Lewistown and Patterson, S. W. Seibert; McClure, W. H. Stover and E. D. Keen; Middleburg, C. F. Deininger and H. A. Benfer; Port Trevorton, J. W. Bentz; Union, H. W. Gross, Mifflinburg Circuit, S. Smith; Center, P. C. Weidemeyer and J. D. Shortess; Brush Valley, N. Young, A. E. Gobble, principal, and S. I. Shortess, superintendent of Union Seminary.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, B. Hengst; Buffalo Valley, D. P. Kline; White Deer, G. E. Zehner; Danville, J. M. Brader; Bloomsburg, S. P. Remer; Columbia Circuit, I. M. Pines; Berwick, H. W. Buck; Luzerne, H. H. Douty; Catawissa, M. F. Fosselman; Wyoming, G. W. Currin; West Clifford, J. W. Messenger; Susquehanna, J. H. Hertz; Maple Grove, W. H. Hartman; Dushore and Bernice, G. L. Burson; Hughesville, J. J. Lohr; New Columbus, B. F. Keller; Milton, H. A. Stoke; collector for Mission Churches, M. J. Carothers.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, A. L. Reeser; Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), J. Young; Williamsport (Bennet Street), J. C. Reeser; Williamsport (Newberry), M. Sloat; Williamsport Circuit, R. Young; Lycoming, A. Stapleton; Jersey Shore, D. W. Miller and A. W. Swengel; Lock Haven, J. M. Ettinger; Nittany Valley, J. A. Irvine and H. T. Searle; Sugar Valley, J. G. M. Swengel; Center Hall, Geo. Hunter; Milesburg, T. M. Morris; Liberty, J. M. Price; East Liberty, Z. Hornberger; Canton, J. M. King; Danville, W. N. Wallis and J. H. Welch; Seneca, Ed. Swengel.

1883

The forty-fourth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, convened in the Bennett Street church, Williamsport, Pa., with Bishop J. J. Esher, presiding, P. W. Raidabaugh, secretary, A. Stapleton, A. H. Irvine, G. H. Schleh, and E. Crumbling, assistants.

Deacons orders: M. J. Snyder, E. D. Keen, A. W. Swengel, H. T. Searle, M. F. Fosselman, C. H. Goodling, I. C. Yeakel, H. S. Basom, and C. F. Vail.

Elders orders: C. W. Finkbinder, J. W. Messenger, W. H. Hartman, R. W. Runyan, and F. S. Vought.

License to preach the Gospel was granted to Jazo Takano, of Japan, G. S. Smith, J. C. Morgenthaler, O. L. Jacobs, S. M. Mountz, and L. E. Crumbling.

The Joint Commission appointed to consider the affairs of Union Seminary reported:

"Resolved, That we recommend to the Educational Society the propriety of selling to the conference for a nominal sum Union Seminary with all its appurtenances, so as to bring it under the exclusive control of the conference.

"Resolved, That we recommend the acceptance of this offer on the part of Conference.

"Resolved, That in case the above offer is accepted and ratified, we recommend the propriety of an election of a board of seven trustee to whom a legal transfer shall be made as soon as possible after commencement.

"Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of a collector who shall solicit funds for an additional building and necessary repairs.

"Respectfully submitted,

"E. KOHR, A. L. REESER, S. AURAND, C. F. DEININGER, J. M. ET-
TINGER, P. W. GROUP, Z. HORNBERGER, A. H. IRVINE, *Committee.*"

A collegiate charter was obtained this year and the building was entirely remodeled and another story added.

P. W. Raidabaugh, editor of the *Conference Journal* reported: Total receipts, \$159.17; expenditures, \$105.56; balance, \$53.61.

M. J. Carothers, and P. W. Raidabaugh were newly elected presiding elders.

YORK DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Baltimore, W. M. Croman; White Ground, S. Yerick; Elysiville, P. W. Group; Howard, M. J. Snyder; Jarrettsville, B. F. Anthony; Shrewsbury, W. W. Rhoads; Glen Rock, E. Crumbling; Loganville, J. Shambach; York, A. H. Irvine; York Circuit, H. N. Greninger and L. E. Crumbling; Prospect, G. H. Schleh; Chanceford, J. F. Shultz; Lewisburg, L. Dice; Dillsburg, P. F. Jarrett; Bendersville, H. T. Searle; Cumberland, M. Sloat and G. S. Smith; Carlisle, G. E. Zehner; superintendent of Japan Mission, J. Hartzler.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, U. F. Swengel, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, Geo. Joseph; Leesburg, S. M. Mountz; Big Spring, H. S. Basom; Fishing Creek Valley, L. K. Harris; Perry, J. W. Bentz; Newport and Marysville, R. W. Runyan; Liverpool, J. M. Dick; Juniata, E. D. Keene; Lewistown and Patterson, C. W. Finkbinder; McClure, W. H. Stover and J. D. Shortess; Middleburg, H. W. Gross and J. B. Fox; Union, C. F. Deininger; Mifflinburg, S. Smith; Center, B. Hengst and H. A. Benfer; Brush Valley, P. C. Weidemyer; members of Union Quarterly Conference, S. I. Shortess, A. E. Gobble and I. C. Yeakel.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, P. W. Raidabaugh, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, E. Swengel; Buffalo Valley, D. P. Kline; Danville, J. M. Brader; Bloomsburg, S. P. Remer; Columbia Circuit, I. M. Pines; Berwick, H. W. Buck; Luzerne, H. H. Douty; Catawissa, M. F. Fosselman; Wyoming, J. M. Longsdorf; West Clifford, J. W. Messinger; Tunkhannock, J. H. Hertz; Maple Grove, W. H. Hartman; Dushore and Bernice, G. L. Burson; Hughesville, J. J. Lohr; New Columbus, B. F. Keller; Milton, J. A. Irvine; members of Lewisburg Quarterly Conference, E. Kohr, Geo. Hunter, A. L. Reeser, and P. S. Orwig.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), J. Young; Williamsport (Bennett Street), J. C. Reeser; Williamsport (Newberry), J. M. King; Williamsport Circuit, C. H. Goodling; Lycoming, R. Young; Jersey Shore, D. W. Miller and J. H. Welch; Lock Haven, J. M. Ettinger; Nittany Valley, W. N. Wallis and J. R. Sechrist; Sugar Valley, J. G. M. Swengel; Center Hall, G. W. Curren; Milesburg, T. M. Morris; Liberty, F. S. Vought; East Liberty, Z. Hornberger; Grover Mission, H. A. Stoke; Highlands Mission, A. W. Swengel; Wayland, J. M. Price; Senaca, A. Stapleton; member of Bennett Street Quarterly Conference, A. Krause.

1884

The forty-fifth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Milton, Pa., March 6, 1884, with Bishop J. J. Esher, presiding; J. M. Ettinger, secretary; A. Stapleton, I. M. Pines, G. H. Schleh, E. Crumbling, and G. E. Zehner, assistants.

Motoi Matsuda, of Japan, surrendered his license, he having taken a position in the employ of the Japanese Government.

Elders orders granted to J. M. Dick, and Deacons orders to J. H. Welch, J. D. Shortess, J. R. Sechrist, H. A. Benfer, S. M. Mountz, Chas. Stroup, and D. M. Strine.

S. W. Seibert and J. M. Ettinger were newly-elected presiding elders.

General Conference detached York (Queen St.) from the Atlantic Conference and attached it to the Central Pennsylvania Conference, the pastor to preach German in the morning and English in the evening.

M. J. Carothers, A. L. Reeser, and A. H. Irvine were appointed a committee to have our Conference legally incorporated.

Geo. S. Smith, L. E. Crumbling, and J. B. Fox, were received into the itinerancy.

YORK DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Baltimore, W. M. Croman; White Ground, S. Yerick; Alberton, P. W. Group; Jarrettsville, B. F. Anthony; Shrewsbury, J. F. Shultz; Glen Rock, E. Crumbling; Logansville, S. Aurand; York (Queen Street), J. Shambach; York (King Street), A. H. Irvine; York Circuit, H. N. Greninger and L. E. Crumbling; Prospect, G. H. Schleh; Chanceford, H. H. Douty; Lewisberry, L. Dice; Dillsburg, P. F. Jarrett; Bendersville, H. T. Searle; Cumberland, M. Sloat and G. S. Smith; Carlisle, G. E. Zehner; superintendent of Japan Mission, J. Hartzler.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, J. M. Ettinger, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown Circuit, Geo. Joseph; Hagerstown Mission, J. C. Reeser; Leesburg, S. M. Mountz; Big Spring, H. S. Basom; Fishing Creek, L. K. Harris; Perry, J. W. Bentz; Newport and Marysville, R. W. Runyan; Liverpool, H. A. Benfer; Juniata, E. D. Keene; Lewistown and Patterson, C. W. Finkbinder; McClure, S. Smith and J. D. Shortess; Middleburg, W. H. Stover and C. F. Gephart; Port Trevorton, N. Young; Union, C. F. Deininger; Mifflinburg, W. W. Rhoads; Center, B. Hengst and J. B. Fox; Brush Valley, P. C. Weidemyer; members of Union Quarterly Conference, S. I. Shortess, A. E. Gobble, and I. C. Yeakel.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, S. W. Seibert, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, E. Swengel; Buffalo Valley, I. M. Pines; White Deer, D. W. Miller; Danville, J. M. Brader; Bloomsburg, S. P. Remer; Columbia, D. P. Kline; Berwick, H. W. Buck; Luzerne, W. H. Lilly; Catawissa, M. F. Fosselman; West Clifford, B. F. Keller; Wyoming, J. M. Longsdorf; Tunkhannock, G. L. Burson; Maple Grove, J. H. Hertz; Dushore and Bernice, W. H. Hartman; Hughesville, J. J. Lohr; New Columbus, J. W. Messinger; Milton, J. A. Irvine; members of Lewisburg Quarterly Conference, E. Kohr, A. L. Reeser, P. S. Orwig, U. F. Swengel, and Geo. Hunter.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), J. Young; Williamsport (Bennett Street), H. W. Gross; Williamsport (Newbery), J. M. King; Williamsport Circuit, C. H. Goodling; Lycoming, R. Young; Jersey Shore, J. G. M. Swengel and J. R. Sechrist; Sugar Valley, T. M. Morris; Center Hall, G. W. Currin; Milesburg, Z. Hornberger; Liberty, F. S. Vought; East Liberty, J. D. Stover; Grover, H. A. Stoke; Highland, A. W. Swengel; Wayland, J. M. Price; Seneca, A. Stapleton.

1885

The forty-sixth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, convened in Trinity church, York, Pa., March 5, 1885, with Bishop Rudolph Dubs, D.D., presiding, who delivered a masterly and heart-searching opening address.

A. Stapleton was appointed secretary, who chose L. M. Pines, and E. Crumbling, as assistants.

Father Geo. Brickley, of York, an old-time veteran of the cross was voted a chair in the altar.

Elders orders: M. F. Fosselman, H. T. Searle, E. D. Keen, C. H. Goodling, I. C. Yeakel, and A. E. Gobble.

Deacons orders: L. E. Crumbling and J. B. Fox.

As the members of Conference gathered for the second day's session of Conference, they saw crêpe on the door of the parsonage, Mrs. Lucinda S. Irvine, the wife of Rev. A. H. Irvine, the *pastor loci*, had died during the night. Appropriate resolutions were adopted, the Conference attended the funeral in a body, and at her request Rev. M. J. Carothers preached the funeral sermon.

License to preach the Gospel was granted to: C. W. Leonard, C. L. Sones, C. V. B. Aurand, W. L. Beaumont, R. C. Hollenbaugh, and M. I. Jamison.

J. W. Bentz was elected Conference treasurer.

Received into the itinerancy: J. D. Stover, and E. O. Goodling.

Prof. I. C. Yeakel was continued as agent for the seminary.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Rev. S. I. Shortess, the retiring superintendent for the interest he has taken, and sacrifices he has made in behalf of Union Seminary.

YORK DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, P. W. Group; Cumberland Circuit, L. Dice and C. V. B. Aurand; Bendersville, J. L. Miller; Dillsburg, B. F. Anthony and W. L. Beaumont; Lewisberry, J. D. Shortess; York Circuit, L. E. Crumbling; York (Queen Street), J. Shambach; York (King Street), A. H. Irvine; Red Lion, S. Yerick; Millersville, E. Crumbling; East Prospect, P. F. Jarrett; Chanceford, H. H. Douty; Loganville, S. Aurand; Glen Rock, J. A. Irvine; Shrewsbury J. F. Shultz; Jarrettsville, L. K. Harris; Baltimore (Trinity), G. H. Schleh; Baltimore (Grace), W. M. Croman; White Ground, H. N. Grenninger; Alberton, H. T. Searle; superintendent of Japan Mission, J. Hartzler.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, J. M. Ettinger, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown, J. C. Reeser; Hagerstown Circuit, C. F. Gephart; Leesburg, J. W. Bentz; Big Spring, H. S. Basom; Marysville, I. C. Yeakel; Perry Circuit, G. Joseph; Newport and Patterson, E. Swengel; Liverpool, H. A. Benfer; Juniata, E. D. Keen; Lewistown, R. W. Runyan; McClure Circuit, S. Smith and C. W. Leonare; Middleburg Circuit, W. H. Stover and C. L. Sones; Port Trevorton, N. Young; New Berlin, G. E. Zehner; Millmont, W. W. Rhoads; Center

Circuit; B. Hengst and S. M. Mountz; Brush-Valley, P. C. Weidemyer; members of New Berlin Quarterly Conference, S. I. Shortess and A. E. Gobble.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, S. W. Seybert, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, J. Young; Buffalo Valley, I. M. Pines; White Deer, S. P. Remer; Milton, C. W. Finkbinder; Hughesville, W. H. Lilly; Dushore and Bernice, W. H. Hartman; Danville, A. S. Baumgardner; Bloomsburg, H. W. Buck; Berwick, J. J. Lohr; Columbia, D. P. Kline; Luzerne, M. F. Fosselman; Catawissa, J. B. Foz; Waller, J. W. Messinger; Wyoming, J. M. Brader; Tunkhannock, G. L. Burson; West Clifford, B. F. Keller; Maple Grove, J. H. Hertz; assistant editor of Sunday-school Literature, U. F. Swengel.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), A. Stapleton; Williamsport (Bennett Street), H. W. Gross; Williamsport (Newberry), J. M. King; Williamsport Circuit, C. H. Goodling; Lycoming, D. W. Miller; Jersey Shore, J. R. Sechrist; Lock Haven, J. M. Dick; Lock Haven Circuit, J. G. M. Swengel; Nittany Valley, W. N. Wallis and H. Armstrong; Sugar Valley, T. M. Morris; Center Hall, G. W. Currin; Milesburg, J. H. Welch; Liberty, F. S. Vought; East Liberty, J. D. Stover; Grover, H. A. Stoke; Highland, E. O. Goodling; Wayland, J. M. Price; Seneca Falls, Z. Hornberger.

1886

The forty-seventh annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Millheim, Pa., March 4, 1886, with Bishop Thomas Bowman, presiding, who delivered an earnest, practical and heart-searching opening address.

Edwin Swengel was appointed secretary, with J. C. Reeser and Edward Crumbling, assistants.

Deacons orders: T. A. Shortess and E. O. Goodling.

Elders orders: J. D. Shortess, J. H. Welch, J. D. Stover, J. R. Sechrist, H. A. Benfer, H. S. Basom, S. M. Mountz, and A. W. Swengel.

License to preach was granted to E. S. Bollinger, G. B. Galliger, F. S. Norman, A. Williamson, C. J. Dick, M. S. Thomas, J. Womeldorf, and C. D. Moore.

I. M. Pines was elected editor of the *Conference Journal* for 1887.

W. E. Detwiler, J. W. Bentz, and I. M. Pines, were elected trustees of Union Seminary.

"Resolved, That we organize a Church Extension Society, and that a Committee of three be appointed to draft a Constitution and By-laws, and report at the next annual session."

Committee: E. Swengel, J. C. Reeser, and E. Crumbling.

YORK DISTRICT, M. J. Carothers, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, P. W. Group; Cumberland Circuit, L. Dice and J. Womeldorf; Bendersville, J. L. Miller; Dillsburg, B. F. Anthony; Blooming Grove, L. E. Crumbling; Lewisberry, J. D. Shortess; York Circuit, A. H. Irvine; York (Queen Street), C. F. Deininger; York (King Street), A. Stapleton; Red Lion, S. Yearick;

Millersville, E. Crumbling; Prospect, P. F. Jarrett; Chanceford, J. H. Hertz; Loganville, B. Hengst; Glen Rock, J. A. Irvine; Shrewsbury Circuit, H. H. Douty and G. B. Gallaher; Jarrettsville, L. K. Harris; Baltimore (Trinity), G. H. Schleh; Baltimore (Preston Street), E. S. Bollinger; White Ground, H. N. Grenninger; Alberton, H. T. Searle; missionary to Japan, Jacob Hartzler.

JUNIATA DISTRICT, J. M. Ettinger, Presiding Elder; Hagerstown, J. C. Reeser; Hagerstown Circuit, C. F. Gephart; Leesburg, J. W. Bentz; Big Spring, H. A. Benfer; Marysville, I. C. Yeakel; Perry Circuit, Geo. Joseph; Newport and Patterson, E. Swengel; Liverpool, E. D. Keen; Juniata, S. M. Mountz; Lewistown, R. W. Runyan; McClure, N. Young; Middleburg, W. H. Stover and C. V. B. Aurand; Port Trevorton, S. Aurand; New Berlin, G. E. Zehner; Millmont, W. W. Rhoads; Center, J. G. M. Swengel; Spring Mills, J. Shambach; Brush Valley, H. S. Basom; members of New Berlin Quarterly Conference, S. I. Shortess, A. E. Gobble, and M. J. Snyder.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, S. W. Seibert, Presiding Elder; Lewisburg, J. Young; Buffalo Valley, I. M. Pines; White Deer, S. Smith; Milton, C. W. Finkbinder; Hughesville, J. W. Messinger; Dushore and Bernice, W. H. Hartman; Danville, A. S. Baumgardner; Bloomsburg, H. W. Buck; Berwick, J. J. Lohr; Columbia Circuit, D. P. Kline; Luzerne, M. F. Fosselman; Catawissa, J. B. Fox; Waller Circuit, J. F. Shultz and C. D. Moore; Wyoming, J. M. Brader; Tunkhannock, H. A. Stoke; West Clifford, C. L. Sones, Turbotville, C. J. Dick; West Brooklyn, W. L. Beaumont; members of Lewisburg Quarterly Conference, A. L. Reeser, Geo. Hunter, A. W. Swengel, and U. F. Swengel.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Williamsport (Market Street), E. Kohr; Williamsport (Bennett Street), G. W. Currin; Williamsport (Newberry), T. M. Morris; Williamsport Circuit, W. N. Wallis; Lycoming, D. W. Miller; Jersey Shore, J. M. Price; Lock Haven, J. M. Dick; Lock Haven Circuit, P. C. Weidemyer; Nittany Valley, H. W. Gross and M. I. Jamison; Sugar Valley, C. H. Goodling; Center Hall, J. M. King; Milesburg, J. H. Welch; Liberty, J. R. Sechrist; East Liberty, J. D. Stover; Grover, F. S. Vought; Highland, E. O. Goodling; Wayland, B. F. Keller; Seneca, Z. Hornberger.

1887

The forty-eighth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference met March 3, 1887, in the Green Street church, of the Atlantic Conference, the Trinity church, where the conference was to have been held being in the course of rebuilding.

Bishop Thomas Bowman, of Allentown, Pa., presided; E. Swengel, secretary, with J. C. Reeser and H. W. Gross as assistants.

License to preach was granted to: C. F. Garrett, H. B. Barshinger, J. H. Leister, G. L. Maice, H. H. Triumphfeller, and D. M. Metzger.

J. A. Hollenbaugh, of the Oregon Conference was received on credentials.

Received into the itinerancy: W. L. Beaumont, O. L. Jacobs, M. I. Jamison, C. D. Moore, J. Womeldorf, and G. B. Gallagher.

"Resolved, That the Conference be divided into five Presiding Elder Districts."

M. J. Carothers was reelected and H. W. Buck and I. M. Pines newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

Elders orders were voted to J. L. Miller, L. E. Crumbling, and J. B. Fox.

The committee appointed at the last session to draft a Constitution and By-laws for a Church Extension Society reported. On motion the consideration of the report was postponed for one year.

The name of the college was adopted this year—"Central Pennsylvania College."

College trustees elected: E. Kohr, Isaiah Bower, and J. F. Thomas.

Deacons orders: W. L. Beaumont, C. L. Sones, E. S. Bollinger, C. D. Moore, M. I. Jamison, E. M. Beaver, E. O. Goodling, and C. V. B. Aurand.

YORK DISTRICT, J. M. Ettinger, Presiding Elder; Baltimore (Trinity), G. H. Schleh; Baltimore (Grace), E. S. Bollinger; Hebbville, H. N. Greninger; Aberton, H. T. Searle; Jarrettsville, L. K. Harris; Shrewsbury, W. E. Detwiler; Glen Rock, J. A. Irvine; Loganville, B. Hengst; York (Queen Street), C. F. Deininger; York (King Street), A. Stapleton; York Circuit, H. H. Douty; Prospect, P. F. Jarrett; Chanceford, J. H. Hertz; Red Lion, Z. Hornberger; Millersville, E. Crumbling; missionary to Japan, J. Hartzler.

CARLISLE DISTRICT, S. W. Seibert, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, P. W. Group; Cumberland Circuit, L. Dice and J. Womeldorf; Dillsburg, A. W. Swengel; Bendersville, J. L. Miller; Lewisberry, J. D. Shortess; Hanover, L. E. Crumbling; Big Spring, H. A. Benfer; Leesburg, J. W. Bentz; Hagerstown Mission, G. E. Zehner; Hagerstown Circuit, C. F. Garrett; Marysville, I. C. Yeakel; Perry, W. W. Rhoads; Newport and Patterson, J. C. Reeser; Liverpool, E. D. Keen; Juniata, S. M. Mountz.

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Williamsport (Newberry), T. M. Morris; Williamsport Circuit, W. N. Wallis; Lycoming, D. W. Miller; Jersey Shore, J. M. Price; Lock Haven, E. Swengel; Lock Haven Circuit, P. C. Weidemyer; Liberty, J. R. Sechrist; East Liberty, C. V. B. Aurand; Grover, F. S. Vought; Highlands, G. B. Gallagher; Wayland, B. F. Keller; Seneca Falls, M. J. Snyder; White Deer, S. Smith.

1888

The forty-ninth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, was held in St. Paul's church, Lewisburg, Pa., March 1, 1888, with Bishop Rudolph Dubs, D.D., presiding, and who delivered a masterly opening address.

A. Stapleton was appointed secretary, who chose A. H. Irvine and P. W. Group as assistants.

A gavel, made by W. W. Rhoads, of wood from the first church built by the denomination, was presented to the presiding bishop by J. M. Ettinger.

License to preach was granted to: J. W. Thompson, L. S. Reichard, A. Rearick, W. C. Bierly, Charles Fry, W. M. Morris, J. W. Smith, C. W. Seigfried, E. L. Kessler, J. H. Davis, Harry Minsker, Ira E. Spangler, and S. S. Mumey.

Deacons orders: J. Womeldorf, C. J. Dick, G. B. Gallagher, and Jacob Lawver.

J. M. Ettinger was reëlected and J. Hartzler newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

M. J. Carothers was elected a trustee of Central Pennsylvania College.

Conference voted on six General Conference recommendations, a total of 82 votes being cast.

Elder orders: M. J. Snyder.

SAMUEL WINGERT BEQUEST

"WHEREAS, Samuel Wingert, of Franklin County, Pa., deceased, has bequeathed in his last will and testament, the sum of one thousand and five hundred dollars as a perpetual fund, the annual interest of which is to be appropriated to the salary of the pastor on Hagerstown Circuit, excepting five dollars of said annual interest which is to be used as specified in said will; therefore

"1. *Resolved*, That we accept the bequest, and cheerfully comply with the conditions set forth in the same.

"2. *Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Central Pennsylvania Conference Missionary Society be, and is hereby, authorized to receive and appropriate said fund and interest of the same as directed by the donor.

"3. *Resolved*, That the pastor of said Hagerstown charge, shall keep the family graveyard on the farm of said Samuel Wingert in repair at whatever

expense the same requires from year to year, and report the same to the last Quarterly Conference on his charge each year.

"4. *Resolved*, That the generous liberality of Brother Wingert has met our unbounded gratitude and the approval of God, 'Who loveth a cheerful giver.'

"5. *Resolved*, That we most ardently commend the wisdom and beneficence of this brother's bequest to the emulation of the members and friends of our church whom God has blessed with this world's store.

"M. J. CAROTHERS,

"A. S. BAUMGARDNER,

"G. E. ZEHNER,

"Committee."

G. E. Zehner was elected statistical secretary, and I. C. Yeakel was elected editor of the Conference Journal.

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Gallagher; Wayland, B. F. Keller; Seneca Falls, M. J. Snyder; White Deer, J. M. Price.

1889

The fiftieth annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Bennet Street Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., March 7, 1889, with Bishop J. J. Esher, presiding, who delivered a masterly and heart-searching opening address.

A. Stapleton was reappointed secretary, who chose P. W. Group, J. A. Hollenbaugh as his assistants. The usual standing committees were appointed.

License to preach the Gospel was granted to: E. B. Bailey, Wm. E. Brillhart, Wm. Simpson, S. E. Koontz, D. A. Artman, and J. P. Buchner.

Elders orders: C. V. B. Aurand, C. L. Sones, C. D. Moore, M. I. Jamison, and Takano Jazo.

Deacons orders: D. M. Metzger.

E. S. Bollinger was granted credentials to the Oregon Conference.

W. E. Detwiler, J. W. Bentz, and J. M. Ettinger, were elected trustees of Central Pennsylvania College.

Bishop Esher, being obliged to leave, called M. J. Carothers to the chair.

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ingtonville, G. L. Mace; Danville, H. A. Stoke; Bloomsburg, A. W. Swengel; Columbia Circuit, C. W. Finkbinder and J. F. Dunlap; Berwick, E. Crumbling; Nescopeck, H. W. Gross; Luzerne, J. W. Messinger; Wyoming, C. J. Dick; Tunkhannock, M. F. Fosselman; West Clifford, C. D. Moore; Dushore, C. L. Sones; Muncy Valley, S. S. Mumey; Hughesville, M. I. Jamison; Waller, S. I. Shortess; Zions Grove, W. H. Hartman; West Brooklyn, G. L. Burson.

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1890

The fifty-first annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Trinity church, York, Pa., March 6, 1890.

There being no bishop present, A. Stapleton, secretary, opened conference with devotional services. A ballot was taken and M. J. Carothers was duly elected chairman.

A. Stapleton was appointed secretary, who chose E. Crumbling and J. C. Reeser as assistants.

R. W. Runyan was elected to report for *The Evangelical-Messenger*, A. Rearick for *Der Christliche Botschafter*, and H. A. Benfer for *The Evangelical*.

J. W. Messinger was appointed chief of the reportorial staff for the secular press.

J. A. Hollenbaugh, G. W. Currin, and J. F. Shultz, were appointed a committee on Delinquents in Missionary Collections.

License to preach the Gospel was granted to W. J. Campbell and C. W. Siegfried.

U. F. Swengel, S. Smith, I. M. Pines, W. E. Detwiler, J. M. Ettinger, J. Hartzler, E. Kohr, H. W. Buck, R. W. Runyan, J. W. Messinger, P. W. Group, and H. W. Gross, were appointed as special committee on The State of the Church.

Eighty-three members of conference were willing to travel according to direction of Conference. G. W. Currin and S. Smith were conditional.

Elders orders: J. Womeldorf, C. J. Dick, Wm. Minsker, and E. W. Koontz.

Deacons orders: G. L. Maice, H. W. Freed, and B. Craley.

Isaiah Bower, E. Kohr, and J. F. Thomas were elected trustees of Central Pennsylvania College.

I. C. Yeakel was elected editor of the *Conference Journal*.

The Educational Aid Society was organized by the election of the following officers: president, W. E. Detwiler, vice-president, U. F. Swengel, secretary, E. Crumbling, corresponding secretary, G. E. Zehner, treasurer, H. W. Buck. Board of Directors: A. E. Gobble, J. Hartzler, O. L. Jacobs, J. F. Thomas, H. A. Stoke, A. Stapleton, and Isaiah Bower.

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1891

The fifty-second annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in the Evangelical church of Berwick, Pa., March 5, 1891.

Due to the action and ruling of the Board of Trustees of the local church, Bishop Bowman was not present at the opening of conference.

In the absence of a bishop, Secretary A. Stapleton called the conference to order. On motion of I. C. Yeakel, seconded by C. W. Finkbinder, J. Hartzler was elected temporary chairman, after which W. E. Detwiler was elected permanent chairman, who then conducted the devotional services.

A. Stapleton was reappointed secretary who chose J. C. Reeser and J. A. Hollenbaugh as his assistants.

License to preach the Gospel was granted the following: M. T. Crouch, I. N. Bair, H. W. Bender, D. P. Schaeffer, D. L. Kepner, J. H. Furner, Wm. Horn, E. E. Shaffer and U. S. Clark.

A committee of fifteen was ordered by conference to draft suitable resolutions on the present state of the church. Committee: S. W. Seibert, B. Hengst, R. W. Runyan, A. Stapleton, S. P. Remer, P. W. Group, G. E. Zehner, J. G. M. Swengel, W. N. Wallis, G. W. Currin, S. I. Shortess, E. Crumbling, J. M. King, J. A. Hollenbaugh and I. M. Pines.

W. E. Detwiler and A. H. Irvine were newly elected, and M. J. Carothers and H. W. Buck reelected presiding elders.

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CARLISLE DISTRICT, W. E. Detwiler, Presiding Elder; Carlisle, J. C. Reeser; Cumberland, J. W. Bentz and H. W. Bender; Dillsburg, J. Womeldorf; Bendersville, L. K. Harris; Lewisberry, L. E. Crumbling; Big Spring, P. W. Group; Leesburg, W. W. Rhoads; Hagerstown, A. Stapleton; Hagerstown Circuit, C. F. Garrett; Perry, J. R. Sechrist; Newport and Marysville, S. P. Remer; Liverpool, D. P. Schaeffer; Fishing Creek, W. C. Bierly; Juniata, G. L. Mace; Hanover, J. P. Buchner; H. B. Hartzler, member of Carlisle Quarterly Conference.

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Mills, C. V. B. Aurand; Brush Valley, S. Aurand; Nittany Valley; P. F. Jarrett and H. B. Barshinger; Sugar Valley, P. C. Weidemyer; Center Hall, S. E. Davis; Bellefonte, E. W. Koontz; Prof. A. E. Gobble, member of New Berlin Quarterly Conference.

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With the close of the 52d annual session, the Central Pennsylvania Conference has reached a distinct period in its history.

First: At this time the Church, The Evangelical Association, was being rent by internal discord and divisions. In the unfortunate situation, the Central Pennsylvania Conference has stood, almost unanimously with the so-called "minority" which, in 1894, became The United Evangelical Church.

Second: The records and sources of information and historical data available for the compiling of this history have been rather limited, and hence required patient and very exhaustive research to conserve the same.

In 1880 the conference first began the publication of the *Conference Journal* containing the proceedings of each session. Some of the earlier numbers of the *Journal*, however, were rather crude and defective, hence not complete as a historical record.

Then too, these earlier *Journals* have not generally been kept on file and very few of them are now to be had.

From about the 52d session of conference, however, the *Journals* are more ample and historically reliable. Hence in the further compiling of this "Centennial History of the Central Pennsylvania Conference," the authors will not be as exhaustive as they have endeavored to be in the previous pages, and refer the interested student of our history to the available and official copies of the *Conference Journal*.

CHAPTER IX

CONFERENCE SESSIONS, 1892-1939

1892

The fifty-third annual session convened in the Bennet Street church, Williamsport, Pa., March 3d, with Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., LL.D., presiding. U. F. Swengel was appointed secretary who called to his assistance N. Young and J. C. Reeser.

G. L. Maice was granted elders orders, and D. A. Artman and E. B. Bailey deacons orders.

J. Hartzler was reëlected presiding elder.

Monday morning, Bishop Dubs was necessitated to leave in order to meet other engagements. W. E. Detwiler was elected chairman.

License to preach was granted to W. H. Brown, W. B. Cox, J. L. Gardner, D. A. Artman, M. A. Kennelley, J. E. Heindel, G. H. Dosch, C. W. Hipple and J. G. Whitmire.

The following were received into the itinerancy: H. Minsker, H. W. Bender, W. J. Campbell, E. E. Shaffer, D. P. Schaffer, W. H. Lilley and D. L. Kepner.

I. C. Yeakel was elected editor of the *Conference Journal* for 1893. W. E. Detwiler, J. W. Bentz and J. M. Ettinger were elected trustees of Central Pa. College for three years.

1893

The fifty-fourth session convened in Milton, Pa., with Bishop W. M. Stanford, D.D., presiding, U. F. Swengel secretary, and N. Young and D. M. Metzger assistants.

In view of the present church controversy, Bishop M. W. Stanford, J. W. Bentz, S. W. Seibert, M. I. Jamison, H. A. Benfer, E. Crumbling, U. F. Swengel, A. Stapleton and G. W. Currin were appointed a Committee on Arbitration.

License to preach was granted to E. Fulcomer, W. E. Bailey, F. F. Mayer, J. A. Bull, U. G. Seifert, W. H. Whitmore, G. H. Heiney, W. C. Hoch, D. F. Young, J. O. Biggs, Ambrose Duffey, and J. E. Campbell.

Deacons orders were granted to E. E. Shaffer, D. P. Schaeffer, D. L. Kepner, W. J. Campbell, H. H. Triumphfeller, H. Minsker, H. W. Bender, A. W. Williamson and Geo. C. Hoffman. Elders orders to S. S. Mumey, J. W. Thompson, C. F. Garrett, S. E. Koontz,

E. L. Kessler, J. P. Buchner, W. E. Brillhart, L. S. Reichard, J. F. Dunlap, and W. C. Bierley.

Manuscript: Rev. A. Stapleton, D.D., reported that he had completed the manuscript of *The Annals of the Evangelical Association* and desired to submit the same to a Committee on Review. A. E. Gobble, N. Young and I. C. Yeakel were appointed, and later reported, strongly recommending the manuscript and urging its immediate publication.

Isaiah Bower was elected as a trustee of Central Pa. College.

Received into the itinerancy: J. G. Whitmire, J. H. Furner, W. B. Cox, M. A. Kennelley and M. T. Crouch.

The Committee on Arbitration rendered a very hopeful report in which it recommended that U. F. Swengel, W. E. Detwiler, N. Young, H. W. Buck, and Isaiah Bower be appointed a committee to act in conjunction with similar committees from other conferences to consummate the proposed arbitration of our church differences.

1894

The fifty-fifth session convened in the Zion church, East Prospect, Pa., with Bishop C. S. Haman presiding, A. Stapleton secretary, and E. Crumbling and J. C. Reeser, assistants.

M. J. Carothers, A. H. Irvine, A. Stapleton, A. E. Gobble, H. W. Gross, J. Hartzler, H. W. Buck, U. F. Swengel, A. L. Reeser, W. E. Detwiler, N. Young, S. Aurand and E. Crumbling were appointed a committee on "The State of the Church."

A. Krause, Z. Hornberger, R. C. Hollenbaugh and M. Graham died during the year.

License to preach was granted to F. H. Foss, A. W. Chamberlain, and I. R. Dayton. E. B. Dunn was received on credentials from the M. E. Church.

Deacons orders were granted to J. H. Furner, J. G. Whitmire, W. B. Cox, M. A. Kennelley, W. M. Morris, and J. H. Davis; elders orders to D. A. Artman and E. B. Bailey.

A. E. Gobble, U. F. Swengel, D. M. Metzger, G. W. Currin and A. Stapleton were appointed a permanent committee on "Bible Conference." M. J. Carothers was reelected trustee of Central Pa. College.

U. F. Swengel was elected editor of the *Conference Journal* for 1895.

E. Fulcomer, D. F. Young, F. F. Mayer, I. N. Bair and W. C. Hoch were received into the itinerancy.

1895

A Counsel Assembly. Due to the extraordinary circumstances affecting the so-called "minority" in the Evangelical Association, on account of a recent decision of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, an informal meeting of ministers and laymen of the Central Pennsylvania Conference was held in St. Paul's church, Lewisburg, Pa., Monday evening, October 8, 1894.

W. E. Detwiler was elected chairman of the meeting, A. Stapleton was appointed secretary, and J. F. Dunlap, assistant.

Thirty-three ministers and thirty-seven outstanding laymen of the conference were present. Encouraging and inspiring addresses were delivered by Bishops C. S. Haman and W. M. Stanford.

It was decided to convene the conference in special convention, Thursday, October 16, at 2:00 p.m. in the Bennet Street church, Williamsport, Pa.

The convention of the Central Pennsylvania Conference was held in the Bennet Street church Thursday, October 16, 1894. A. Stapleton, secretary of the former convention, called the convention to order, and Bishop C. S. Haman was elected temporary chairman.

The chairman appointed W. E. Detwiler, J. M. Ettinger, U. F. Swengel, and laymen Isaiah Bower and D. L. Zerby, as a committee on permanent organization.

The committee reported and the following officers were duly elected: President, Bishop C. S. Haman; vice-president, Isaiah Bower; secretary, A. Stapleton; treasurer, J. W. Ruby.

A Committee on Ecclesiastical Organization, consisting of ten ministers and five laymen was appointed as follows: Ministers: H. W. Buck, U. F. Swengel, W. E. Detwiler, J. W. Messinger, J. Hartzler, A. E. Gobble, A. H. Irvine, A. L. Reeser, M. J. Carothers, H. A. Stoke. Laymen: James M. Carothers, I. S. Frain, I. M. Dreisbach, Joseph Radcliffe, and L. Wooster.

In the afternoon of the second day of the convention the committee on "Ecclesiastical Organization" reported, and the report was unanimously adopted. (See 1895 *Conference Journal*, pages 25-28.)

Several of the items in the findings of the committee were as follows:

"*Resolved*, That in deference to the decision of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, we assume the name and organize ourselves as 'The Central Pennsylvania Conference of The United Evangelical Church.'

"*Resolved*, That this body shall now be considered as sitting in regular special session as The Central Pennsylvania Conference of 'The United Evangelical Church.'"

SPECIAL SESSION

The conference being duly organized by the adoption of the above resolution, went into special session at Williamsport, Pa., October 17, 1894.

The former trustees of conference were reelected as follows: M. J. Carothers, U. F. Swengel, I. M. Pines, J. M. Ettinger, and W. E. Detwiler.

Defense Bureau Adopted. J. W. Messinger offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That this conference receive the Defense Bureau as its own, ratify its actions and instruct its officers to continue its work; and if it is needful, to borrow money to properly close its business, its officers be authorized and instructed to do so, and that this conference assume and will provide for any debt remaining after the collectable pledges are all in."

This special session of conference was attended by ninety-six ministers and forty-two laymen as delegates, all of whose signatures the secretary was authorized to subscribe to the minutes which were unanimously adopted.

REGULAR SESSION

The fifty-sixth annual session—the first under the new name, "The United Evangelical Church"—convened in Trinity church, York, Pa., March 7th, with Bishop W. M. Sanford, D.D., presiding. A. Stapleton was elected secretary who chose J. C. Reeser, J. F. Dunlap and C. W. Finkbinder assistants.

The new Discipline, prepared and adopted by the first General Conference of the United Evangelical Church, at Naperville, Ill., December, 1894, was adopted as a whole by a rising vote of the conference.

Received into the itinerancy: I. E. Spangler, E. B. Dunn, F. H. Foss, A. W. Chamberlain, I. R. Dayton, C. W. Hipple and G. W. Heiney.

Licensed to preach: Harris Smith, W. N. Fulcomer, N. J. Dubs, A. D. Gramley, and R. E. Wilson.

Deacons orders were granted to W. C. Hoch, E. Fulcomer, D. F. Young, F. F. Mayer and I. N. Bair.

Elders orders: D. L. Kepner, E. E. Shaffer, D. P. Schaeffer, H. Minsker, and W. J. Campbell.

Trustees of Central Pennsylvania College: Isaiah Bower, W. E. Detwiler, U. F. Swengel, J. W. Bentz, and N. T. Dundore.

1896

The fifty-seventh annual session convened in St. John's church, Newberry, Pa., March 5, with Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., presiding. U. F. Swengel was elected secretary, who chose J. C. Reeser and J. F. Dunlap as assistants.

Deacons orders were granted to F. H. Foss, C. W. Hipple, I. E. Spangler, G. W. Heiney, E. B. Dunn, and C. F. Frey.

Elders orders: M. A. Kennelley, W. B. Cox, J. G. Whitmire, and J. H. Furner.

Licensed to preach: G. R. Stover, H. C. Stover, W. I. Shambaugh, L. M. Dice, C. W. Shambacher, H. A. Kiess, C. E. Redeker, F. Seitz, W. J. Crist, L. C. Hunt, and A. A. Winter.

W. M. Sanner of the M. E. Church was received as a preacher on trial.

The Committee on Articles of Conference Incorporation reported that said Article had been granted by Judge H. M. McClure in the courts of Union County, Pennsylvania, and that the conference is now legally incorporated.

J. D. Bogar was elected a trustee of Central Pennsylvania College.

U. F. Swengel was reelected editor of the *Conference Journal* and G. E. Zehner reelected statistical secretary.

1897

The fifty-eighth annual session convened in the First Evangelical church of Carlisle, Pa., March 4, with Bishop W. M. Stanford, D.D., presiding. U. F. Swengel was reelected secretary who chose J. C. Reeser and E. B. Bailey assistants.

J. W. Zuber of the East Pennsylvania Conference was received as a preacher on trial.

C. A. Rotan, a local preacher of the U. B. Church, was received in the same relation he sustained in the U. B. Church.

Licensed to preach: W. W. Stiteler, H. A. Snook, J. B. Meloy, O. W. Reichley, J. H. Newhauser, C. C. Johnson, C. W. Guinter, J. F. Hower, G. L. Lovell and A. Sunday.

Deacons orders were granted to: A. D. Gramley, W. N. Fulcomer, and M. T. Crouch.

Elders orders: E. Fulcomer, I. N. Bair, D. F. Young and F. F. Mayer.

Received into the itinerancy: C. W. Hipple, I. E. Spangler, F. H. Foss, G. W. Heiney, E. B. Dunn, A. D. Gramley and W. N. Fulcomer.

Visitors: H. S. Basom and J. D. Shortess were appointed as a visiting committee to Central Pennsylvania College.

U. F. Swengel was elected as the representative of the Alumni Association on the Board of Trustees of Central Pennsylvania College.

1898

The fifty-ninth annual session convened in Bethany Evangelical church, Hughesville, Pa., March 3, with Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., presiding. U. F. Swengel was reelected secretary and chose J. F. Dunlap and J. C. Reeser as assistants.

M. J. Carothers, G. L. Burson, O. L. Jacobs, J. Snively and Mrs. Sarah Longsdorf, a preacher's widow, died during the year.

W. E. Detweiler tendered his resignation as presiding elder, and E. Crumbling was newly elected presiding elder.

License to preach was granted to: S. A. Snyder, J. H. Ryder, J. T. Pettit, W. J. Dice, John M. Price, F. E. Fisher, and J. H. Maice, blind evangelist.

Deacons orders granted to: L. M. Dice, R. E. Wilson, J. O. Biggs, W. M. Sanner, U. G. Seifert, and N. J. Dubs.

Elders orders were granted to: E. B. Dunn, F. H. Foss, C. W. Hipple, and I. E. Spangler.

Received into the itinerancy: R. E. Wilson, N. J. Dubs, W. M. Sanner, J. O. Biggs, and L. M. Dice.

Bible Conference Committee: A. E. Gobble, H. B. Hartzler, G. W. Currin, W. E. Detwiler, and U. F. Swengel were reelected a permanent committee on Bible Conference.

N. Young and D. L. Detra were elected conference trustees.

The inter-conference college sub-committee, consisting of Dr A. E. Gobble, W. E. Detwiler, J. W. Domer, and J. Q. A. Curry, rendered a report, wherein a plan was adopted to raise \$100,000.00 as an endowment fund for Central Pennsylvania College. Rev. W. E. Detwiler was unanimously elected as the field agent to solicit subscriptions and contributions for this fund throughout the constituent conferences.

1899

The sixtieth annual session convened in St. Paul's United Evangelical church, Lewisburg, Pa., March 2, with Bishop W. M. Stanford, D.D., presiding. U. F. Swengel was reelected secretary, who chose J. C. Reeser and Prof. W. P. Winter, assistants.

Deacons orders were granted to: W. H. Brown, C. W. Guinter.

Elders orders: W. N. Fulcomer, A. D. Gramley and W. C. Hoch.

Received into the itinerancy: W. H. Brown and C. W. Guinter.

Presiding elders elected: A. Stapleton and N. Young were re-elected, and S. P. Renner newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

Prof. F. C. Bowersox was elected trustee of Central Pennsylvania College.

Licensed to preach: A. F. Weaver, H. C. Farley, W. E. Peffley, J. I. Craul, I. R. Dayton, H. E. Voss, and Melvin Knaub.

W. E. Detwiler was reelected financial agent of Central Pennsylvania College. J. C. Reeser was elected editor of the *Conference Journal* for 1900. P. C. Weidemeyer was elected treasurer of the Orphans' Home Fund.

1900

The sixty-first annual session convened in First United Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., March 1, with Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., presiding. J. C. Reeser was elected secretary, who chose J. W. Messenger, M. I. Jamison, W. J. Campbell and L. S. Reichard, assistants.

W. E. Bailey of the Ohio Conference addressed conference in the interest of The Bible Reading League.

Deacons orders were granted to: C. E. Redeker, H. C. Stover, W. J. Dice, and J. F. Hower.

Elders orders to: W. M. Sanner, J. O. Biggs, and L. M. Dice.

License to preach was granted to: C. I. Raffensperger, P. A. Smith, A. C. Price, E. C. Basom, H. W. Thomas, C. C. Mizener, J. W. Shank, R. W. Strunk, H. C. Guthrie, and C. V. B. Aurand.

H. B. Hartzler, D.D., editor of *The Evangelical*, addressed conference on our English church periodical, and C. N. Dubs, D.D., editor of *The Evangelische Zeitschrift*, in the interest of our German church periodical.

U. F. Swengel and J. D. Shortess were elected trustees of Central Pennsylvania College for a term of three years.

H. B. Hartzler, A. E. Gobble, U. F. Swengel, G. W. Currin, J. C. Reeser, and W. E. Detwiler were reelected as the committee on Bible Conference.

G. L. Lovell was granted credentials to the Oregon Conference. G. E. Zehner was reelected statistical secretary, and J. C. Reeser was reelected editor of the *Conference Journal*.

D. M. Strine, a local deacon, withdrew from the church.

Systematic Beneficence: U. F. Swengel, E. B. Bailey, E. Crumbling, G. W. Currin, J. W. Messinger, and Miss Emma Dittmar were elected a committee on Systematic Beneficence for three years.

Legal Committee: H. W. Buck, A. L. Reeser, and A. Stapleton were elected a Legal Committee.

The committee on 20th Century Thank-Offering, W. E. Detwiler, chairman, and E. Crumbling, secretary, made a challenging report, in which well-devised plans to accomplish certain laudable objectives marking the beginning of the 20th century, were recommended and unanimously adopted.

1901

The sixty-second annual session convened in St. Paul's United Evangelical church, Red Lion, Pa., with Bishop W. M. Stanford, D.D., presiding. J. C. Reeser was reelected secretary, who chose J. W. Messinger, J. F. Dunlap, and M. I. Jamison assistants.

W. E. Detwiler reported the 20th Century Thank-Offering anniversary as having been observed the first Sunday of November; total offering, \$1,604.36.

Licensed to preach: B. L. Moore and E. I. Confer.

Deacons orders were granted to: G. R. Stover, W. A. Faus, J. I. Craul, A. F. Weaver, and J. T. Pettit.

Elders orders: W. H. Brown and M. T. Crouch.

W. B. Cox moved that we proceed to organize a Bible Conference Society. The motion was adopted and the organization was as follows: J. D. Shortess, president, J. A. Hollenbaugh, vice-president; J. C. Reeser, secretary; D. L. Kepner, treasurer; executive committee: A. E. Gobble, U. F. Swengel, G. W. Currin, W. E. Detwiler, and H. B. Hartzler. These officers were appointed a committee to draft a constitution for the Society.

W. E. Detwiler and Isaiah Bower were reelected trustees of Central Pennsylvania College.

Received into the itinerancy: J. I. Craul, A. F. Weaver, W. A. Faus, and J. T. Pettit.

Defense Bureau: The business of the Defense Bureau was taken up, and upon the resignation of A. Stapleton, J. W. Messinger was elected to take charge of and close up the affairs of the Defense Bureau.

College Interests: W. E. Detwiler, N. Young and H. W. Buck were elected as the committee on the "Consolidation of College Interests."

Conference Quarterly: J. C. Reeser was reelected editor for *The Conference Quarterly* for this year and also for next year.

H. W. Buck and J. F. Hower were appointed a visiting committee to Central Pennsylvania College.

1902

The sixty-third annual session convened in the First United Evangelical church, Lock Haven, Pa., with Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., presiding. J. C. Reeser was reelected secretary who chose J. F. Dunlap, M. I. Jamison and H. A. Benfer, assistants.

Lydia Wingert Bequest: On motion of C. H. Goodling, seconded by H. A. Benfer, conference was authorized to receive the monies of the Lydia Wingert estate as follows:

"Resolved, By the Central Pennsylvania Annual Conference of the United Evangelical Church, the true beneficiary under said will as determined by said Auditor John W. Hoke, and by decree of the Orphans' Court of Franklin County, Pa., that A. L. Reeser, treasurer of the said Missionary Society, the true beneficiary, be and is hereby authorized to receipt and release for the said sum of \$538.13, and that W. E. Detwiler the treasurer of the Annual Conference be, and is hereby authorized to receipt and release for the legacy of \$1,425.00 awarded to the aforesaid Missionary Society, the true beneficiary, and that A. E. Gobble the treasurer of the Central Pennsylvania College is hereby authorized to receipt and release for the legacy of \$538.13, and the releases shall be executed and delivered as and for the act and deed of the aforesaid beneficiaries and shall be as valid and binding in law as if the said releases were erected by each individual member of the said religious Society and College.

"The purpose of this resolution is to authorize and empower the treasurers aforesaid to fully and forever release and discharge the executors of the estate of Lydia Wingert."

Presiding elder: E. Crumbling was reelected to the office of presiding elder.

D. A. Kepner, B. F. Hall, and Geo. Hunter died during the year.

C. B. Arnsperger, R. C. Walker, W. K. Shultz, H. R. Wilkes and J. K. Taylor were granted license to preach.

W. E. Detwiler, secretary of the committee on College Consolidation completed the report of the committee. The report was adopted as a whole.

A committee of three was appointed to arrange for the transfer of our college interests to the consolidated college, to be temporarily located at Myerstown, Pa.; also to recommend the pro rata number of clerical and lay members on Trustee Board of the consolidated college. Committee: A. E. Gobble, W. E. Detwiler, and J. W. Gilmore.

Deacons orders were granted to: E. C. Basom, C. I. Raffensperger, R. W. Strunk, J. A. Foss, W. I. Shambaugh, and H. C. Guthrie.

Elders orders to: W. J. Dice, N. J. Dubs, J. F. Hower, and C. E. Redeker.

Received into the itinerancy: C. I. Raffensperger, H. C. Guthrie, R. W. Strunk, E. C. Basom, W. I. Shambaugh, and J. A. Foss.

College trustees elected: W. E. Detwiler, J. Hartzler, N. Young, U. F. Swengel, J. W. Messinger, E. Crumbling, and H. W. Buck, clerical. Laymen: William Paul, F. C. Bowersox, Isaiah Bower, and J. C. Winter.

H. C. Stover was granted credentials to the Oregon Conference.

Bishop Dubs, having necessitated to leave to meet other appointments, U. F. Swengel was elected to preside in his place.

A. H. Irvine and A. D. Gramley were elected visitors to Central Pennsylvania College.

P. C. Weidemyer was reelected treasurer of the Orphans' Home Fund.

1903

The sixty-fourth annual session convened in the Memorial United Evangelical church, Baltimore, Md., with Bishop H. B. Hartzler, D.D., presiding. J. D. Shortess in an excellent address and in the name of the conference, presented the bishop a beautiful silver mounted gavel, the gift of Mr. James F. Mohn, of Reading, Pa. The Bishop made a feeling response.

J. C. Reeser was reelected secretary and chose J. F. Dunlap, M. I. Jamison, and H. A. Benfer, assistants.

"WHEREAS, General Conference, at its session of 1902, organized a Board of Church Extension, with the provision that auxiliaries shall be organized in the Annual Conferences; and that one-third of the collections of such auxiliaries shall flow into the treasury of the General Society, therefore,

"Resolved, That we instruct the treasurer of our Conference Church Extension Society hereafter to remit to the treasurer of the General Board of Church Extension, one-third of annual collections taken on the charges, provided, however, that this shall not be so interpreted as to include dues and special donations."

J. D. Woodring, D.D., president of Albright College was received as an advisory member; likewise W. M. Stanford, J. Q. A. Curry and F. J. Strayer of the Pittsburgh Conference, and S. L. Wiest of the East Pennsylvania Conference.

Deacons orders were granted to: J. H. Ryder, C. C. Mizener, A. C. Price, B. L. Moore, and John M. Price.

Elders orders: A. F. Weaver, J. I. Craul, J. T. Pettit and W. A. Faus.

Received into the itinerancy: J. H. Ryder, C. C. Mizener, A. C. Price, B. L. Moore and John M. Price.

Presiding elders elected: U. F. Swengel and S. P. Remer were reëlected, and J. W. Messinger and J. C. Reeser newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

License to preach the gospel was granted: Geo. S. Albright, M. W. Stahl, W. W. Heim, J. R. Rickets and J. W. Waltz.

J. W. Thompson was elected editor of the *Conference Journal* for 1904.

Trustees of Albright College: E. Crumbling, H. W. Buck, and J. A. Kiess.

Visiting Committee to Albright College: J. D. Shortess.

1904

The sixty-fifth annual session convened in Trinity United Evangelical church, York, Pa., March 3, with Bishop W. F. Heil, presiding. J. F. Dunlap was elected secretary, who chose M. I. Jamison and J. D. Shortess assistants.

P. C. Weidemyer was elected treasurer of the Orphan Home Fund for three years.

Received on credentials: L. S. Beam, of the East Pennsylvania Conference, Walter E. Smith, of the Ohio Conference, and H. A. Snook, of the Des Moines Conference.

Deacons order granted to: W. E. Peffley and S. A. Snyder.

Elders orders: C. I. Raffensperger, H. C. Guthrie, W. I. Shambaugh, J. A. Foss and John M. Price.

Licensed to preach: J. F. Bingman, R. P. Maue, J. A. Shook, and W. H. Warburton.

Rev. Levi Eberhart of the Illinois Conference, who was licensed in 1841 by the West Pennsylvania Conference, now the Central Pennsylvania, was introduced to conference and made a brief address, referring to the past history of this body and the many changes which the years have wrought. He was very cordially welcomed and received as an advisory member by special resolution.

Dr. J. D. Woodring, president, and J. G. Mohn, treasurer of Albright College, addressed conference in the interest of their respective offices.

J. Womeldorf was reëlected statistical secretary.

Received into the itinerancy: W. E. Peffley and S. A. Snyder.

1905

The sixty-sixth annual session convened in St. Paul's United Evangelical church, Hagerstown, Md., March 2, with Bishop H. B. Hartzler, D.D., presiding. Hon. A. C. Strite, Mayor of the City of Hagerstown, addressed the conference, extending a warm welcome to the body on behalf of the city.

J. F. Dunlap was reëlected secretary, who chose M. I. Jamison and J. D. Shortess as assistants.

Dr. C. C. Poling, of the Oregon Conference was received as an advisory member and addressed conference in interest of Dallas College.

Dr. J. D. Woodring, president of Albright College, was received as an advisory member and addressed conference in the interest of Albright College.

J. G. Mohn, treasurer of Albright College, presented his annual report.

R. Dubs, D.D., editor of *The Zeitschrift*, W. M. Stanford, D.D., editor of *The Evangelical*, and W. H. Fouke, editor of Sunday-school Literature, were received as advisory members.

F. L. Teter was granted license to preach.

H. L. Purkiss of the Baptist Union was received as a local deacon.

Deacons: H. A. Snook, H. R. Wilkes, R. C. Walker, H. W. Thomas, W. K. Shultz, and G. S. Albright, were advanced to deacons orders.

Elders: C. C. Mizener, J. H. Ryder, and B. L. Moore, were advanced to elders orders.

Special Committee: A. S. Baumgardner, J. F. Dunlap, and M. I. Jamison were appointed a special committee to formulate the sentiments of conference upon the subject of Sabbath and Moral Reform.

Itinerancy: W. K. Shultz, H. W. Thomas, H. R. Wilkes, H. A. Snook, G. S. Albright, and R. C. Walker were received into the itinerancy.

College trustees: W. E. Detwiler, J. Hartzler, C. S. Wise, and Charles A. Shaffer, were elected trustees of Albright College.

1906

The sixty-seventh annual session convened in the First United Evangelical church, Milton, Pa., March 1, with Bishop W. F. Heil, presiding. J. F. Dunlap was reëlected secretary who chose M. I. Jamison, J. D. Shortess, and C. W. Finkbinder as assistants.

The Milton Ministerial Association was introduced to conference.

J. M. Remensnyder, D.D., addressed conference on behalf of the Association. Bishop Heil made an appropriate response.

Presiding elder election: J. F. Dunlap was elected to the office of presiding elder and stationed on the Williamsport District.

Elders orders were granted to: W. E. Peffley, S. A. Snyder, A. C. Price and R. E. Wilson.

C. S. Wise resigned as trustee of Albright College.

License to preach was granted to: M. C. Jacobs, G. W. Frey, J. B. McLaughlin, Geo. E. Albright, R. S. Daubert, C. B. Snyder, H. D. Hill.

A. L. Reeser, Dr. J. C. Hummer, and Ben. Craley died during the year.

Hon. S. E. Nicholson, State superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League addressed the conference in the interest of the work of the league.

Trustees elected: E. Crumbling, J. D. Shortess, J. A. Kiess, and Hon. F. L. Dershem were elected trustees of Albright College for a term of three years.

J. W. Thompson was reelected editor of the *Conference Journal*.

Special Committee: J. W. Messinger, H. A. Benfer, and A. Stapleton were appointed a special committee on Rules and Records.

1907

The sixty-eighth annual session convened in the First United Evangelical church, Carlisle, Pa., with Bishop H. B. Hartzler, D.D., presiding. M. I. Jamison was elected secretary, who chose C. W. Finkbinder, D. L. Kepner, and I. E. Spangler, assistants.

W. E. Bailey, of Findlay, Ohio, publisher of *World Revival Hymns and Songs*, in a brief address, presented each minister with a copy of said book.

Historical: On motion it was decided that a committee of five be appointed to arrange for the organization of a Historical Society. Committee: U. F. Swengel, A. Stapleton, E. E. Shaffer, J. D. Shortess, and H. W. Shaffer.

This committee later reported, strongly recommending the organization of a Society, the object of which shall be to gather and preserve historical data, books, literature and other property connected with the origin and development of the Evangelical Church.

The report of the committee, including the tentative constitution was adopted. The roll of conference was called, and the volunteer

membership of the society enrolled, to whom certificates of membership was later issued.

The permanent organization of the society was completed by the election of the following officers: president, U. F. Swengel; vice-president, J. D. Shortess; secretary, E. Crumblin; treasurer, A. E. Gobble; historical secretary, A. Stapleton; executive committee: U. F. Swengel, J. D. Shortess, and A. Stapleton.

The society was legally incorporated in 1917, and became the Parent Historical Society of the Evangelical Church in 1922.

The present officers are: president, J. D. Shortess; vice-president, R. W. Albright; secretary, H. R. Wilkes; treasurer, H. C. Kleffel; historical secretary, A. D. Gramley; trustees: Bishop J. S. Stamm, R. W. Albright, J. D. Shortess, H. R. Wilkes, R. B. Leedy, E. E. Stauffer, W. I. Shambaugh, E. W. Rishel, and Dr. C. J. Attig.

Deacons orders granted to: R. P. Maue, M. W. Stahl, J. F. Bingman, and J. H. Maice.

Elders orders: G. S. Albright, H. R. Wilkes, R. C. Walker, and H. A. Snook.

Licensed to preach: Clark Zeigler, M. C. Roser, L. C. Cooper, H. M. Wallis, I. C. Shearer, F. L. Wheatfield, H. L. Jarrett, I. S. Shultz, H. W. Buck, Jr., H. A. Northacker and H. D. Hoose.

Hon. F. L. Dershem, a member of the State legislature, on invitation, addressed conference in the interest of pending local option.

Deaconess Work: A. Stapleton, U. F. Swengel, J. A. Hollenbaugh, W. E. Detwiler, J. Hartzler, A. E. Gobble, and S. P. Remer were appointed a committee on Deaconess Work.

Received into the itinerancy: M. W. Stahl, R. P. Maue, and J. F. Bingman.

State Evangelical Alliance: The following were appointed to represent our conference at the annual meeting of the State Evangelical Alliance: A. Stapleton, J. W. Thompson, J. D. Shortess, and J. Hartzler.

Credentials: H. W. Thomas was granted his credentials conditionally.

Orphans' Home Society: "*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed to formulate plans for the organization of an Orphans' Home Society in our conference and report at the next annual session of conference."

Committee: G. W. Currin, N. Young, W. N. Wallis, P. C. Weidemyer, and W. E. Detwiler.

1908

The sixty-ninth annual session convened in the Bower Memorial Evangelical church, Berwick, Pa., with Bishop W. F. Heil presiding. M. I. Jamison was reelected secretary who chose C. W. Finkbinder, I. E. Spangler, and D. L. Kepner, assistants.

Applicants for license: License to preach was granted to J. C. Sinclair, T. A. Yost, J. R. Schechterly, C. S. Messner, M. E. Bartholomew, I. K. Baker, J. H. Ricker, S. L. Hench, N. L. Hummel, H. E. Baker, and L. A. Miller.

Deaconess Board: A Stapleton, U. F. Swengel, J. Hartzler, W. E. Detwiler, H. A. Benfer, and J. W. Slothower, were elected directors of the Deaconess Board.

Deacons orders: F. L. Teter, W. E. Smith, Ralph Smith, M. C. Jacobs, and W. H. Warburton were advanced to deacons orders.

Elders orders: W. K. Shultz was granted elders orders.

College trustees: W. E. Detwiler, A. Stapleton, and Charles A. Shaffer were elected trustees of Albright College for three years.

Committee on Church Deeds: The committee on church deeds reported. The report was received and the committee continued with instructions to investigate the titles of the church and parsonage property of our congregations and recommend the form of changes needful that they may be transferred or used as a basis for loans.

1909

The seventieth annual session convened in Grace United Evangelical church, Lewistown, Pa. In the absence of Bishop H. B. Hartzler, the secretary, M. I. Jamison, convened conference, and J. F. Dunlap, D.D., was elected chairman.

U. F. Swengel, pastor, spoke words of welcome to the members of conference, and introduced Hon. Joseph Woods, president judge of the courts of Mifflin County, who delivered an address of welcome. Chairman J. F. Dunlap responded.

E. Crumbling was elected secretary, who chose C. W. Finkbinder, I. E. Spangler, and D. L. Kepner, assistants.

Deaconess Board: U. F. Swengel submitted an interesting report of the Board, which was received and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

M. W. Stahl, R. P. Maue and J. F. Bingman were granted elders orders.

I. S. Shultz, G. W. Frey, and L. C. Cooper were granted deacons orders.

Applicants for license: The following were granted license to preach: G. C. Gabriel, C. B. Shank, R. S. Starr, C. D. Pewterbaugh, and Roy M. Smith.

College trustees: E. Crumbling, J. D. Shortess, J. A. Kiess and Hon. F. L. Dershem, were elected trustees of Albright College for a term of three years.

A Memorial Service was held for the sainted Rev. J. D. Woodring, D.D., late president of Albright College.

Bible Conference: The long cherished desire for a permanent home for our Bible Conference became a reality, upon the adoption of the report of the trustees recommending the purchase of a tract of land containing 45½ acres, most beautifully situated near West Milton, centrally located and splendidly adapted for our purpose. Certificates of indebtedness were authorized (par value, \$10.00) and money pledged. The trustees were authorized to proceed with the project and have the land surveyed, put up buildings, so as to hold our next Bible Conference in our own home.

1910

The seventy-first annual session convened in St. John's United Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., with Bishop W. F. Heil presiding. E. Crumbling was elected secretary who chose C. W. Finkbinder, I. E. Spangler, and D. L. Kepner assistants. N. Young, J. A. Hollenbaugh and J. F. Hower were appointed a committee on delinquents.

Presiding elder election: J. A. Hollenbaugh was newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

Licensed to preach: J. F. Rohrbaugh, Irvin C. Bailey, A. M. Jenkins, Earl P. Markel, W. E. Zimmerman, J. H. Fleckenstine, Paul E. Keen, Clyde E. Jewel, W. L. Kamble, and J. B. Mays.

Deacons orders were granted to: J. W. Waltz, J. H. Ricker, H. D. Hill, M. E. Bartholomew, C. S. Messner, J. B. McLaughlin, L. A. Miller, R. S. Daubert, and C. B. Snyder.

Elders orders: W. E. Smith, W. H. Warburton, Ralph Smith, and F. L. Teter.

Received into the itinerancy: C. S. Messner, J. W. Waltz, L. A. Miller, J. H. Ricker, J. B. McLaughlin, R. S. Daubert, M. E. Bartholomew, C. B. Snyder, and H. D. Hill.

Fiftieth Anniversary: A. H. Irvine, having completed fifty years in the active ministry, addressed conference, giving an interesting account of his work and varied experiences during the half century of his active ministry.

During the memorial service, Dr. A. Stapleton gave a brief but eloquent tribute to the life of S. I. Shortess, a former conference associate, and comrade in the Civil War. On motion it was resolved that the said tribute should be published in *The Evangelical*.

Trustees elected: J. F. Dunlap, U. F. Swengel, J. W. Messinger, and J. W. Gilmore were elected trustees of Albright College.

Conference trustees elected: W. E. Detwiler, H. A. Benfer, J. A. Hollenbaugh, F. L. Dershem, and J. C. Winter.

Bishop Heil being obliged to leave conference, J. F. Dunlap, D.D., was elected chairman.

A ballot was taken for officers of The Old People's Home and Orphan Society. The following were elected: president, N. Young; vice-pres., G. W. Currin; secretary, S. S. Mumey; corresponding secretary, J. W. Messinger; treasurer, P. C. Weidemyer.

The following laymen were elected a Finance Committee for the Old People's and Orphan Home Society: H. C. Sechrist, J. W. Slothower, I. S. Frain, F. L. Dershem, and J. C. Winter.

1911

The seventy-second annual session convened in Trinity United Evangelical church, York, Pa., with Bishop U. F. Swengel, presiding. H. A. Benfer and J. D. Shortess were reëlected, and M. F. Fosselman and J. W. Thompson newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

On motion of H. W. Shaffer, Rule 1, item 2, was amended to read: "That preachers on probation shall be allowed at least \$300.00, ordained unmarried preachers at least \$400.00 and married ordained preachers at least \$700.00 and house rent."

License to preach: H. C. Kleffel, D. A. Ertel, Fred D. Sherman, and S. P. Bingham.

Deacons orders were granted to: L. A. Fuhrman, G. C. Gabriel, I. K. Baker, and C. D. Pewterbaugh.

Elders orders: I. S. Shultz, G. W. Frey, and L. C. Cooper.

Members of the Deaconess Board elected: A. Stapleton, H. A. Benfer, S. P. Remer, J. W. Thompson, W. E. Detwiler, and J. L. Pandel.

Received into the itinerancy: L. A. Fuhrman, G. C. Gabriel, I. K. Baker, and C. D. Pewterbaugh.

1912

The seventy-third session convened in the First United Evangelical church of Lock Haven, Pa., with Bishop W. H. Fouke, presid-

ing. E. Crumbling was reëlected secretary and chose W. E. Peffley, W. J. Dice, and E. C. Basom, assistants.

License to preach was granted to: W. C. Sipe, L. M. Yost, and C. S. Hottenstein.

D. A. Poling, general secretary of the Young People's Work, addressed conference in the interest of Sunday school and K. L. C. E. work.

Deacons orders were granted to: A. M. Jenkins, I. C. Bailey, J. B. Mays, I. C. Shearer, and W. L. Kambel.

Elders orders: H. D. Hill, J. H. Ricker, M. E. Bartholomew, R. S. Daubert, C. S. Messner, L. A. Miller, J. B. McLaughlin, M. C. Jacobs, and C. B. Snyder.

Trustees of Albright College elected: E. Crumbling, J. D. Shortess, H. W. Shaffer, and F. L. Dershem.

A. A. Winter, D.D., president of Dallas College, Oregon, addressed conference in the interest of that institution.

Received into the itinerancy: A. M. Jenkins, I. C. Bailey, W. L. Kamble, and B. K. Mowerer.

1913

The seventy-fourth session convened in St. Paul's United Evangelical church, Lewisburg, Pa., with Bishop U. F. Swengel, presiding. E. Crumbling was reëlected secretary and chose W. E. Peffley, W. J. Dice and E. C. Basom assistants.

W. E. Detwiler having completed fifty years in the active ministry in this conference, congratulatory resolutions were adopted inviting him to address conference at the Friday morning session.

T. S. Knecht and wife, of the East Pennsylvania Conference, recently appointed missionaries to China were received as advisory members and introduced to conference.

The following received elders orders: R. S. Starr, L. A. Fuhrman, C. W. Guinte, G. C. Gabriel, I. K. Baker, and C. D. Pewterbaugh.

Deacons orders: H. C. Kleffel, J. H. Kohler, J. E. Newcomer, D. A. Ertel, H. W. Buck, Jr., J. B. Mays, and F. D. Sherman.

E. D. Keen, pastor, requested that Lemoyne be changed from a mission to a station. The request was granted.

Albright College trustees elected: J. F. Dunlap, M. I. Jamison, U. F. Swengel, and J. W. Gilmore.

Received into the itinerancy: J. B. Mays, H. W. Buck, Jr., J. H. Kohler, D. A. Ertel, F. D. Sherman, and H. C. Kleffel.

License to preach was granted to: M. E. Shank, G. L. Reeser,

E. G. Woolery, J. M. Gray, L. M. Heishley, A. E. Wolf, F. H. Sanders, H. A. Benfer, Jr., and J. A. Shultz.

1914

The seventy-fifth session convened in the Bower Memorial church, Berwick, Pa., with Bishop W. H. Fouke, presiding. E. Crumbling was reëlected secretary and chose W. E. Peffley, W. J. Dice, and E. C. Basom, assistants.

J. A. Hollenbaugh was reëlected presiding elder.

License to preach was granted to: E. J. Bayne, Chas. E. Allison, J. B. Davis, Roy H. Dick, A. C. Paulhamus, and I. E. D. Stover.

Dr. J. F. Dunlap, president of Albright College, and Dr. A. A. Winter, president of Dallas College, addressed conference in the interest of these respective institutions.

Deacons orders were granted to: J. R. Schechterly, J. F. Rohrbach, J. H. Fleckenstine. These brethren were also received into itinerancy.

Elders orders: A. M. Jenkins, I. C. Bailey, I. C. Shearer, and W. L. Kamble.

The request of the North Berwick congregation to be constituted a station was granted.

A ballot was taken for trustees of The Ministerial Aid Society, and the following were elected: J. W. Messinger, E. Crumbling, B. S. Sentz, C. L. Sones, J. W. Thompson, J. C. Newcomer, J. C. Reeser, J. D. Shortess and Chas. A. Shaffer.

Conference openings: On motion it was decided to begin the conference sessions with communion service, hereafter, conducted by the presiding Bishop.

1915

The seventy-sixth session convened in First United Evangelical church, Carlisle, Pa., with Bishop U. F. Swengel, presiding, March 4. J. C. Reeser was elected secretary and chose A. F. Weaver, A. D. Gramley, and Hon. A. Wilbur assistants.

Presiding elders: M. F. Fosselman was reëlected and C. L. Sones, J. F. Dunlap, and M. I. Jamison were newly elected.

Deacons orders granted: F. H. Sanders, G. L. Reeser, J. A. Shultz, and H. A. Northacker.

Elders orders: H. W. Buck, Jr., H. C. Kleffel, D. A. Ertel, and J. W. Waltz.

License to preach was granted to: A. Ward Campbell, H. L. Flick,

H. E. Davis, C. E. Getz, E. S. Hill, H. H. Jacobs, C. H. Loyer, and G. B. Mergenthaler.

Received into the itinerancy: J. E. Newcomer, G. L. Reeser, J. A. Shultz, and F. H. Sanders.

Trustees of Albright College elected: E. Crumbling, J. D. Shortess, H. W. Shaffer, and Hon. A. Wilbur.

1916

The seventy-seventh session convened, March 2, in St. Paul's United Evangelical church, York, Pa., Bishop W. H. Fouke, D.D., presiding.

For the first time, conference was opened by celebrating the Holy Communion in a very solemn manner by the entire conference and many visiting friends.

J. C. Reeser was reelected secretary and chose A. D. Gramley, A. F. Weaver, and W. C. Hoch, assistants.

Dr. A. Stapleton offered an appropriate resolution complimenting and commending Bishop U. F. Swengel, D.D., upon his completing fifty years in the active ministry in this conference.

E. B. Dunn was appointed to send greetings and sympathy and a floral tribute to the sick room of Brother J. W. Messinger in Hanover, Pa.

Licensed to preach: C. D. Brillhart, F. E. Remaly, J. F. D. Bowersox, G. C. Cramer, I. C. Fuhrman, B. G. Hoffman, and H. H. Hipple.

Deacons orders voted to: E. G. Wollery, I. E. D. Stover, A. C. Paulhamus, C. E. Jewell, and Paul E. Keen.

Elders orders: J. H. Fleckenstine and J. F. Rohrbaugh.

Irvin R. Dunlap, missionary to China, was received into this conference in the same relation which he sustained in the Illinois Conference. Dr. L. C. Hunt, president of Albright College addressed conference in the interest of that institution.

Received into the itinerancy: E. G. Wollery, I. E. D. Stover, C. E. Jewell, and A. C. Paulhamus.

The following resolution offered by J. D. Shortess was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The Historical Society has inaugurated a movement providing for the celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the building of the first church edifice of the Evangelical Association at New Berlin, Pa., which proposed celebration has been approved by the last General Conference, therefore,

"*Resolved*, That we the members of the Central Pa. Conference pledge our moral support to said celebration, and will in every possible way endeavor to make the celebration of those historical events a helpful agency in the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ."

1917

The seventy-eighth session convened, March 1, in Zion United Evangelical church, East Prospect, Pa., Bishop U. F. Swengel, D.D., presiding.

Henry Berg, Sr., 83 years of age, delivered a spicy and felicitous address of welcome, to which Rev. A. D. Gramley made a happy response. J. C. Reeser was reëlected secretary and chose A. D. Gramley, A. F. Weaver, and W. C. Hoch, assistants.

License to preach: L. M. Miller, H. M. Buck, W. W. Shannon, C. I. Fuhrman, D. P. Smeltzer, John Logan, E. R. Yeatts, W. E. King, L. E. Teter, M. W. Dayton, C. E. Hewitt, and A. B. Coleman.

On motion a special committee on, "The present relations to our Country,"—Dr. A. E. Gobble, J. D. Shortess, and D. L. Kepner, was appointed.

Elders orders were granted to: I. R. Dunlap, G. L. Reeser, J. A. Shultz, F. D. Sherman, J. B. Mays, and F. H. Sanders.

Deacons orders: R. H. Dick, C. B. Shank, A. W. Campbell, and E. S. Hill, who were also received into the itinerancy.

1918

The seventy-ninth session convened March 7, in Trinity United Evangelical church, Jersey Shore, Pa., Bishop W. H. Fouke, D.D., presiding. J. C. Reeser was reëlected secretary who chose W. J. Dice, A. F. Weaver, and G. L. Maice, assistants.

Presiding elder elected: W. B. Cox was newly elected presiding elder.

Licensed to preach: Carrol C. Bailey, and C. I. Raffensperger, Jr.

Deacons orders: E. J. Bayne, J. F. D. Bowersox, F. E. Remaly, S. M. Short, I. C. Fuhrman, J. M. Dick, and C. H. Loyer.

Elders orders: C. E. Jewell, A. C. Paulhamus, and I. E. D. Stover.

Received into the itinerancy: E. J. Bayne, Paul E. Keen, F. E. Remaly, C. H. Loyer, J. M. Dick, and J. F. D. Bowersox.

Rev. S. P. Remer, having rounded out fifty years in the active ministry in this conference, was invited to address conference.

In the opening of the fifth day, morning session, Bishop Fouke introduced Bishop Swengel who presided during this service of prayer in behalf of those who are now in the service of their country in the World War. Dr. Gobble, of the War Service Commission, read the 91st Psalm, and Dr. A. A. Winter spoke of those boys in whose behalf special prayer should now be offered.

Bishop Swengel, a Civil War veteran, announced that the following members of conference had sons now in the service, some of them now overseas: C. I. Raffensperger, W. N. Wallis, F. F. Mayer, S. E. Koontz, S. A. Snyder, M. A. Kennelley, H. A. Snook, M. J. Snyder, W. C. Hoch, J. A. Bull, H. T. Searle, J. H. Welch, E. Crumbling, N. J. Dubs, W. H. Stabler, J. A. Hollenbaugh, J. W. Thompson.

Auxiliary to the United Evangelical Home: Conference resolved itself into an "Auxiliary to the United Evangelical Home Society," and elected the following officers: president, N. Young; vice-president, G. W. Currin; secretary, J. T. Pettit; treasurer, S. E. Koontz.

Albright College Visiting Committee: J. W. Waltz and M. W. Stahl.

1919

The eightieth session convened March 6, in the Memorial United Evangelical church, Baltimore, Md., Bishop M. T. Maze presiding. J. C. Reeser was reelected secretary and chose W. J. Dice, C. I. Raffensperger, and G. L. Maice assistants.

Just fifty years ago conference met in this city, four ministerial members who were present then are present now: U. F. Swengel, A. H. Irvine, W. E. Detwiler, and S. P. Remer, who were voted the privilege of the platform.

Presiding elders elected: M. I. Jamison, C. L. Sones, and J. F. Dunlap, were reelected, and W. J. Campbell newly elected.

Deacons orders granted to: H. A. Benfer, Jr., B. G. Hoffman, N. L. Hummel, D. P. Smeltzer, and W. C. Sipe; and received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: A. W. Campbell, R. H. Dick, E. S. Hill, Paul E. Keen, J. R. Schechterly, and C. B. Shank.

Licensed to preach: C. R. Ness and J. F. Dauberman.

Old records: The old conference records are to be placed in the Archives of the Historical Society.

Albright College trustees elected: J. F. Dunlap, U. F. Swengel, M. I. Jamison, and Prof. J. G. Dundore.

Deacons orders were granted to Prof. S. M. Short and Prof. Roy M. Smith; and the China Mission authorized to ordain the former and the Platte River Conference the latter.

1920

The eighty-first session convened March 4, in First United Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., Bishop W. F. Heil, D.D., presiding.

J. C. Reeser was reëlected secretary and chose W. J. Dice, J. W. Waltz, and G. L. Maice, assistants.

E. H. Zeigler, lay delegate, requested that Grace Mission, York, be constituted a station. The request was granted.

Elders orders were granted to: J. F. D. Bowersox, E. J. Bayne, C. H. Loyer, F. E. Remaly, A. J. Chamberlain, I. C. Fuhrman, and J. M. Dick.

Deacons orders: C. C. Bailey, C. E. Hewitt, H. M. Buck, L. E. Teter, and Wm. O'Donnell, who were also received into the itinerancy.

License to preach: W. B. Crow, M. K. Deitz, W. N. Winter, G. S. Burgett, Dale E. Seitz, H. W. Beecher, Harry Sheeley, L. P. Markley, C. H. Bankes, H. W. Mowery, J. G. Raffensperger, D. A. Noble, M. A. Teter, D. W. Stock, B. F. Farley, Reed O. Steely, J. W. Zang, and R. J. Goodhart.

Credentials: C. A. Fray was received on credentials from the Northwestern Conference, and L. S. Mallory, on credentials from the Des Moines Conference.

1921

The eighty-second session convened March 3, in Grace Evangelical church, Wrightsville, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze presiding.

J. C. Reeser was reëlected secretary and chose W. J. Dice, J. W. Waltz and G. L. Maice, assistants.

License to preach the gospel was granted to M. A. Herman and F. H. Moyer. Deacons orders were granted to J. F. Dauberman, M. W. Dayton, G. R. Mergenthaler, and H. L. Flick.

Elders orders granted to W. C. Sipe, D. P. Smeltzer, B. G. Hoffman, and N. L. Hummel.

Noah Young, having completed fifty years of continuous service in the gospel ministry of this conference, the following resolution was adopted: "*Resolved*, That we deeply appreciate the splendid uninterrupted service of this dear man of God, and that we sincerely sympathize with him in the necessity of a superannuated relation which he must assume, and assure him of our tender sympathy and earnest prayers."

Received into the itinerancy: W. C. Sipe, M. W. Dayton, and H. L. Flick.

1922

The eighty-third session convened March 2, in First United Evangelical church, Lewisburg, Pa., Bishop W. F. Heil, D.D., presiding.

J. C. Reeser who had served as secretary for eleven years declined reëlection. A ballot was taken and W. J. Dice was elected secretary and chose J. W. Waltz, G. L. Maice, and A. M. Jenkins assistants.

The following were received into the itinerancy: W. E. Yingling, C. R. Ness, G. R. Mergenthaler, H. A. Benfer, Jr., Roy M. Smith, S. M. Short, C. H. Banks, J. W. Zang, H. H. Jacobs, and J. F. Dauberman.

Presiding elder elected: I. E. Spangler was elected presiding elder.

License to preach the gospel was granted to W. E. Murray, J. G. Brown, S. S. Miller.

Deacons orders were granted to C. R. Ness, W. E. Yingling, C. H. Banks, J. W. Zang, and H. H. Jacobs.

Elders orders: C. C. Bailey, H. M. Buck, L. E. Teter, and Wm. O'Donnell.

H. W. Shaffer offered the following resolution which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The basis of organic union between the Evangelical Association and the United Evangelical Church, from our general conference through the commissioners of our church and the Judiciary Committee comes to us for consideration and action, and,

"WHEREAS, This basis of organic union has been before every quarterly conference in the Central Pa. Conference; therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, That without reading, a vote on the Basis be made the order of the day to-morrow, Friday morning, at 10 o'clock."

Friday, March 3, 10:00 a. m. H. W. Shaffer offered the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the Basis of Union as it is now before us be adopted, and that the vote be taken by roll call of the ministerial and lay members of this conference."

Bishop's Ruling. The presiding officer, Bishop W. F. Heil, declared the question out of order.

Appeal from the decision of the chair. On motion of W. B. Cox, seconded by J. F. Dunlap, the following was unanimously adopted:

"It is the sense of this conference that the ruling of the chair is not well founded in that the Basis of Union is not submitted upon the recommendation of the Joint Commission alone, but upon the recommendation of the Judiciary Committee as well. We therefore appeal from the decision of the chair."

W. B. Cox offered the following resolution which was also seconded by J. F. Dunlap and unanimously adopted:

"*Resolved*, That we now proceed to vote on the Basis of Organic Union between The Evangelical Association and The United Evangelical Church; that the roll be called, and those in favor of the adoption of the Basis in its entirety voting 'Yes'; those opposed voting 'No' and their votes be so recorded."

Total ministerial votes: "Yes," 128; "No," 5. Total lay delegates votes: "Yes," 87; "No," 8. Total votes: "Yes," 215; "No," 13.

Albright College trustees elected: J. F. Dunlap, J. F. Hower, A. A. Winter, and J. L. Pandel.

Conference trustees elected for three years: E. Crumbling, H. A. Benfer, C. L. Sones, J. C. Winter, and J. C. Newcomer.

S. S. Mumey was received into this conference on credentials from the Oregon Conference.

J. F. D. Bowersox was reported as having irregularly withdrawn from the church.

1923

The eighty-fourth annual session convened March 1, in Trinity Evangelical church, York, Pa., Bishop J. F. Dunlap, D.D., presiding, W. J. Dice, secretary, and A. M. Jenkins, J. W. Waltz and A. D. Gramley, assistants.

W. J. Campbell was reëlected, and J. W. Thompson and C. I. Raffensperger newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

Committee on Change of Charters, due to the merged church: A. A. Winter, W. B. Cox, A. E. Gobble, C. A. Shaffer and J. C. Winter.

Presentation: Rev. S. E. Koontz, in a happy manner presented a "well-filled purse" from the ministerial and lay delegates of the Lewisburg District, to Bishop J. F. Dunlap, he having just completed his term as presiding elder of that district, prior to his election to the episcopal office.

Licensed to preach the gospel: E. E. Dunkelberger, M. G. Wilkes, Carl E. Portzline, E. F. Miles, J. W. Getz, and J. A. Corl.

Deacons orders: F. H. Moyer, R. O. Steely, L. P. Markley, and W. E. King.

Elders orders: J. F. Dauberman, M. W. Dayton, and G. B. Mergenthaler.

Memorial service for C. D. Moore, W. N. Wallis, I. M. Pines, H. H. Trumpfheller, Mrs. H. B. Hartzler, and Mrs. J. W. Messenger, who had died during the year.

H. P. Maneval, J. H. Rosenberger, and E. E. Haney, itinerant elders; D. C. Cares and O. G. Martin, itinerant deacons; and A. S. Bierley, local deacon, of the East Pennsylvania Conference, were received on credentials.

Received into the itinerancy: F. H. Moyer, R. O. Steely, and L. P. Markley.

1924

The eighty-fifth annual session convened March 6, in St. John's Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, D.D., LL.D., presiding; W. L. Dice, secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, H. M. Buck, G. C. Gabriel, and L. M. Dice, assistants.

Died during the year: N. Young, A. H. Irvine, M. J. Snyder, J. D. Leister, Mrs. W. N. Wallis, Mrs. H. D. Hill, Mrs. J. J. Lohr, Mrs. B. Hengst, and Mrs. S. Smith.

Licensed to preach: Kenneth L. Benfer, Homer W. Heisley, Geo. W. Speake, T. R. Husler, Floyd A. Huff, B. F. Rogers.

Deacons orders: S. S. Miller, M. A. Herman, and W. N. Winter, who were also received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: H. H. Jacobs, J. W. Zang, C. H. Bankes, C. R. Ness, and E. G. Wollery.

J. P. Sheesley, an itinerant deacon of the Pittsburgh Conference, and C. A. Fray, an itinerant elder of the Northwestern Conference were received on credentials.

Trustees of Albright College elected: A. D. Gramley, J. D. Shortess, E. Crumbling, H. W. Shaffer, and J. V. Weidemyer.

Ministerial Relief: The joint commission on Ministerial Relief was appointed by The Ministerial Aid Society, and Conference, as follows: J. D. Shortess, J. F. Hower, R. S. Starr, W. B. Cox, S. E. Koontz, A. F. Weaver, H. W. Shaffer, T. R. Buck, J. L. Pandel, and B. S. Sentz.

1925

The eighty-sixth annual session convened March 5, in First Evangelical church, Milton, Pa., Bishop L. H. Seager, D.D., presiding, W. J. Dice, secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, H. M. Buck and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

Died during the year: W. E. Detwiler, S. P. Remer, W. H. Brown, J. H. Davis, L. S. Beam, I. R. Dayton, Mrs. H. S. Basom, Mrs. R. Young, and Mrs. L. Dice.

C. I. Raffensperger resigned the office of presiding elder. W. B. Cox was newly elected to the office and stationed on the Williamsport District.

B. F. Keller, who with this conference completes fifty unbroken years of active service in the ministry, retired from active service and addressed conference in a reminiscent manner.

Deacons orders: J. G. Brown, and C. T. Chang, of China.

Elders orders: R. O. Steely, W. E. Yingling, F. H. Moyer, and L. P. Markley.

Licensed to preach the gospel: Lee H. Reed, R. H. Narhood, Roy L. Freas, I. W. Fritz, and O. L. Kneller.

Elected trustees of Albright College: J. F. Dunlap, L. M. Dice, A. A. Winter, and J. L. Pandel.

The Historical Record of the ministers of this conference since 1905, when the last record was published, was published in the *Conference Journal*.

Wm. C. Sipe was granted credentials to the Congregational Church.

Edwin N. Kline, D.D., was received on credentials from the Presbyterian Church.

1926

The eighty-seventh session convened March 11, in First Evangelical church, Jersey Shore, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze presiding, W. J. Dice, secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, H. M. Buck, and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

C. A. Whitehead, an itinerant elder of the New England Conference, was received on credentials.

I. E. Spangler was reelected presiding elder, and continued on the Carlisle District.

Deacons orders: K. L. Benfer, G. W. Speake, J. M. Gray, J. A. Corl, and L. M. Miller, who were also received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: W. N. Winter, S. S. Miller, M. A. Herman, J. P. Sheesley, and H. L. Flick.

Albright College Trustees elected: A. D. Gramley, I. E. Spangler, and C. A. Shaffer. J. W. Thompson was elected for the unexpired term of E. Crumbling, resigned.

The Conference trustees were instructed to borrow the required funds to pay the balance of the amount due the Superannuation Fund of the Evangelical Church by the time of the next General Conference, on our special appropriation of \$36,000.

Licensed to preach: A. J. Thomas, I. W. Moyer, and W. E. Grove. Superannuated: C. L. Sones, J. H. Ryder, F. F. Mayer, W. H. Lilley, and P. C. Weidemyer.

Credentials to the Pittsburgh Conference were granted to J. G. Brown.

R. J. Goodhart, W. W. Shannon and F. D. Sherman withdrew from the church.

1927

The eighty-eighth annual session convened March 3 in Christ Evangelical church, York, Pa., Bishop S. P. Spreng, D.D., presid-

ing, W. J. Dice, secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, H. M. Buck and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

J. W. Thompson was reëlected and A. F. Weaver newly elected to the office of presiding elder. A. F. Weaver was stationed on the Lewisburg District.

H. E. Davis, in China, C. E. Hewitt and H. L. Flick were ordained as elders, and T. R. Husler and D. W. Stock as deacons.

Credentials were granted E. N. Kline to the Presbyterian Church, C. S. Messner to the Lutheran Church, and W. N. Winter to the Atlantic Conference.

Superannuated: J. C. Reeser, C. W. Finkbinder, D. L. Kepner, and J. H. Welch.

Received on credentials: Geo. E. Schnabel from the New York Conference, and J. W. Kreckler and Paul A. Werner from the East Pennsylvania Conference.

Received into the itinerancy: T. R. Husler, D. W. Stock, and Paul A. Warner.

Licensed to preach: H. A. Houseal, W. L. Baughman, R. L. Lundy, and Walter Kuhne.

J. C. Reeser having completed fifty years of active service in the gospel ministry, addressed conference, by request, in a very happy manner.

1928

The eighty-ninth annual session convened March 1, in Bower Memorial Evangelical church, Berwick, Pa., Bishop J. F. Dunlap, D.D., presiding, W. J. Dice, Secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, A. M. Jenkins and E. S. Hill, assistants.

Died during the year: C. W. Finkbinder, J. H. Ryder, L. Dice, Mrs. R. O. Steely, Mrs. E. Fulcomer, and Mrs. N. Young.

Necrology. As a result of correspondence directed by conference with the secretary of the East Pennsylvania Conference, the names of Jacob Young, A. Rearick and S. I. Shortess, former members of this conference, were added to the necrology of this conference.

L. E. Kline was received on credentials from the East Pennsylvania Conference.

Ordained elders: J. A. Corl, J. M. Gray, and G. W. Speake.

Ordained deacons and received into the itinerancy: R. L. Freas, W. E. Grove, L. E. Kline, I. W. Moyer, and M. R. Wilkes.

Licensed to preach: H. F. Springman, H. S. Entz, J. H. Miller, and H. C. Hornbeck.

The Merging of Albright and Schuylkill Colleges. The order of the day was to consider the merging of Albright and Schuylkill Colleges. The secretary read the record of approach to the merging of these colleges through General Conference resolution; action by the Boards of College Trustees; the College Merger Commission, and the legal draft of the Charter for the merged college as it will be presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County, Pa., when all the supporting and sustaining annual conferences have acted favorably in proper and legal form.

General Conference action leading to the merging:

"WHEREAS, The following action was passed by the General Conference of the United Evangelical Church, the General Conference of the Evangelical Association, and The General Conference of the Evangelical Church in the sessions of 1922,

"Resolved, That we recognize the two existing schools, Albright College and Schuylkill College, as the colleges of the eastern portion of the church, and that if it be found feasible to merge the two schools at Reading, Pa., the college resulting from the merger shall be named Albright College. . . . and in the interest of the educational program of our church in this eastern area it is our judgment that the two colleges be merged in accordance with the agreement made by the two Commissions on Church Union of the Evangelical Association and the United Evangelical Church; and the General Conferences of these two churches and the General Conference of the merged church,—The Evangelical Church, therefore

"Resolved, That a Committee of Eight be appointed to make a survey of all the facts as they may relate to the said merger and report the result of their research to this Commission for consideration, and that the Commission report its findings to the Board of Trustees of the respective institutions."

The following were appointed the Committee of Eight: Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, W. L. Bollman, J. W. Klein, H. C. Lilley, J. F. Dunlap, C. D. Becker, Esq., J. D. Shortess, and H. F. Schlegel.

Acting on the report and findings of this Committee of Eight, it was decided to appoint a Commission consisting of nine from each Board of Trustees to further work out the details essential to the merging of the two institutions.

Commissioners representing Albright College: C. D. Becker, Esq., J. F. Dunlap, Geo. H. Leininger, Dr. C. E. Sayers, H. F. Schlegel, H. W. Shaffer, J. D. Shortess, E. E. Stouffer, F. W. Ware, and A. A. Winter.

Commissioners representing Schuylkill College: Geo. W. Bollman, W. L. Bollman, Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, J. W. Klein, H. C. Lilley, Wm. H. Schneller, Esq., J. C. Warner, J. F. White, and J. A. Wiegand.

The findings and recommendations, including all legal forms were adopted merging Albright College and Schuylkill College, as Albright

College at Reading, Pennsylvania, March 2, 1928. (See full proceedings, pages 34-45, *Conference Journal*, 1928.)

Trustees of the merged Albright College: A. A. Winter, J. F. Dunlap, J. W. Thompson, J. D. Shortess, I. E. Spangler, H. W. Shaffer, C. A. Shaffer, and J. L. Pandel.

W. F. Snelbaker, delegate of the Mechanicsburg Mission, requested that Mechanicsburg be constituted a station. The request was very heartily granted.

E. Crumbling was invited to address conference in celebration of having completed his fiftieth year in the gospel ministry.

"Resolved, That in addition to membership in the Superannuation Fund, each applicant for the itinerancy shall be requested to become a member of the Ministerial Aid Society of this Conference."

H. E. Davis was granted his credentials conditionally.

1929

The ninetieth annual session convened March 7, in Grace Evangelical church, Wrightsville, Pa., Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., presiding, W. J. Dice, secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, F. E. Remaly and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

C. Newton Dubs, D.D., superintendent of the Mission in China, was welcomed and received as an advisory member.

A. C. Ruth was received on credentials from the East Pennsylvania Conference.

W. B. Cox was reëlected presiding elder.

W. F. Teel, D.D., president of Albright College, addressed conference in the interest of that institution.

Licensed to preach: Carl F. Gunther, and Lee W. Bartges.

Deacons orders: R. C. Stabler, W. L. Baughman, and Floyd A. Huff, who were received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: J. W. Kreckler, T. R. Husler, Paul A. Werner, and Kenneth L. Benfer.

District Parsonages. The Board of Conference Trustees presented the following action relative to district parsonages which was unanimously adopted by conference:

"Resolved, That the conference instruct, and by adopting this report does so instruct, the Board of Trustees to purchase or build district parsonages at their earliest convenience on each of the several districts, the total cost of said parsonages to be approximately \$36,000.00.

"Resolved, That an advisory committee to the Board of Trustees be appointed for each district, the same to consist of the presiding elder, one minister and one layman from each district."

J. Paul Burkhardt was received on credentials from the Mennonite Church, and also received into the itinerancy.

M. K. Deitz was granted credentials to the Atlantic Conference on certain conditions.

Deaconess Board elected: Mrs. W. P. Ritter, J. W. Thompson, Mrs. A. F. Weaver, I. E. Spangler, J. L. Pandel, H. R. Wilkes, S. E. Koontz, C. I. Raffensperger, S. S. Mumey, W. I. Shambaugh, Mrs. J. A. Hollenbaugh, Mrs. E. C. Basom, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Mrs. E. S. Hengst, and Mrs. Anna Rook.

1930

The ninety-first annual session convened March 6, in the First Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze, D.D., presiding, W. J. Dice, secretary, J. H. Fleckenstine, F. E. Remaly and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

Superannuated: E. Crumbling, G. L. Maice, and E. L. Kessler.

Died during the year: Dr. A. E. Gobble, D. A. Ertel, R. S. Starr, and C. D. Caris.

Licensed to preach: J. F. Diehl, M. L. Fiester, W. K. Hosterman, W. H. Kelly, Clair C. Kreidler, V. E. Miller, C. R. Loss, W. N. Smeltzer, C. E. Young, Briton Temple, and R. A. Babcock.

Deacons orders: H. S. Entz, J. H. Miller, H. F. Springman, and M. A. Teter, who were received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: R. L. Freas, W. E. Grove, F. A. Huff, L. E. Kline, I. W. Moyer, D. W. Stock, and M. R. Wilkes.

A. J. Chamberlain was granted credentials.

L. M. Dice, F. H. Sanders, and R. O. Steely were appointed a committee on "Household Goods Transportation," to coördinate a plan in a systematic way for the most economical means of transporting the household goods of ministers who will move.

1931

The ninety-second annual session convened March 5, in the First Evangelical church, Carlisle, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, J. R. Schechterly and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

W. B. Cox, presiding elder of the Williamsport District, due to his election to the office of Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, of the Evangelical Church, tendered his resignation, which was accepted.

A. F. Weaver was reëlected and E. C. Basom and W. J. Dice were newly elected to the office of presiding elder.

Licensed to preach: H. E. Kise, Paul M. Miller and S. A. Snyder, Jr.

Deacons orders: L. W. Bartges, H. W. Heisley, and A. J. Thomas, who were received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: W. L. Baughman, A. C. Ruth, and R. C. Stabler.

C. E. Keafer was received on credentials from the Pittsburgh Conference.

B. F. Heiser was received on credentials from the East Pennsylvania Conference.

Licensed to preach: S. A. Snyder, Jr., H. E. Kise, and Paul N. Miller.

Albright Brotherhood. A number of the laymen of conference expressed themselves favorably to the organization of an "Albright Brotherhood of the Central Pennsylvania Conference," and the following officers were elected: President, H. W. Shaffer; vice-president, H. A. Lackey; secretary, J. Boyd Trostle; treasurer, H. A. Ebert.

1932

The ninety-third annual session convened March 10, in the First Evangelical church, Milton, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, A. M. Jenkins and Paul A. Werner, assistants.

License to preach: W. A. Bartges, B. W. Bjerk, H. L. Brininger, Geo. W. Frey, Jr., and Calvin Harden.

Deacons orders: W. K. Hosterman, C. F. Gunther, W. H. Kelly, C. C. Kreidler, C. E. Keafer, R. L. Lundy, B. F. Heiser, C. R. Loss, R. A. Babcock, and V. E. Miller. All admitted into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: H. S. Entz, J. H. Miller and H. F. Springman.

H. A. Klingeman was received on credentials from the East Pennsylvania Conference.

Memorial service was held for the following who had died during the year: I. E. Spangler, M. F. Fosselman, C. J. Dick, and Mrs. Catherine Gobble, widow of the late Dr. A. E. Gobble.

In recognition of his fifty years of uninterrupted service in our conference, the bishop called Dr. J. D. Shortess to the platform to address conference. Dr. Shortess gave touching reminiscences of his life work which was a challenge to faithfulness and devotion.

Representatives to Pennsylvania Council of Churches: Rev. W. J. Dice and J. Boyd Trostle.

The requests of Hanover, and York (Christ) Missions to be made Stations were heard and granted.

1933

The ninety-fourth annual session convened March 9, in Grace Evangelical church, Lewistown, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, Paul A. Werner and A. M. Jenkins, assistants.

Died during the year: S. S. Miller, P. C. Weidemyer, S. E. Koontz, E. S. Hill, and J. A. Hollenbaugh, Mrs. H. N. Grenninger, Mrs. C. W. Hipple, Mrs. L. E. Crumbling, Mrs. J. H. Welch, Mrs. B. F. Keller, Mrs. J. H. Furner, Mrs. W. M. Sanner, and Mrs. J. F. Manbeck.

In the report of the Committee on Memorials the following was adopted:

"Resolved, That a Secretary and an Associate Secretary be elected who shall during the year prepare suitable memoirs for all members of this conference, also the wives and children of the members of conference who have died during the year.

"Resolved, That the annual report of these secretaries shall be rendered during the opening session of each annual session of conference and the same shall constitute the memorial service."

H. R. Wilkes and H. M. Buck were elected memorial secretary and associate secretary respectively to serve for three years.

Banking Situation. In view of the fact that the moneys of the several boards and organizations of conference are not available because of the "Banking Holiday and Moratorium," an appeal was addressed to the Banking Commissioner of Pennsylvania and also to the Hon. W. H. Woodin, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, in an effort to have said funds released.

The Albright Memorial Evangelical church, Washington, D. C., through W. H. Snyder, lay delegate presented a request that it be constituted a Station. The request was received with appreciation and unanimously granted.

The names of J. M. Dick and E. B. Dunn were removed from the ministerial roll.

At their own request, J. D. Shortess, L. E. Crumbling, C. W. Hipple and J. E. Newcomer were placed on the list of superannuated elders.

C. A. Whitehead, J. M. Gray, and C. S. Hottenstine were granted credentials.

C. D. Brillhart, H. W. Mowery and W. T. Crow withdrew from the church.

J. F. Diehl, Paul M. Miller, H. A. Houseal, and W. N. Smeltzer were voted deacons orders and received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders were granted to L. W. Bartges, H. W. Heisley, M. A. Teter, and A. J. Thomas.

Lee D. Reed was granted deacons orders and listed as a local deacon.

License to preach the gospel was granted to M. E. Kelly, Chas. C. Kyle, Arnold Weaver, R. M. Jarrett, L. L. Stabler and Geo. L. Miller.

1934

The ninety-fifth annual session convened March 8, in Christ church, York, Pa., Bishop M. T. Maze, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, A. M. Jenkins and Paul A. Werner assistants.

Memorial Secretary Rev. H. R. Wilkes read the Memoirs of Rev. F. F. Mayer, Mrs. P. C. Weidemyer, Mrs. E. Crumbling, Mrs. J. D. Shortess, Mrs. M. F. Fosselman, Mrs. I. M. Pines, Mrs. M. T. Crouch, Mrs. E. D. Keen and James Lilley, who had died during the year.

License to preach the gospel: Irwin C. Bailey, Jr., Wm. E. Basom, S. N. McCullough, D. L. Shank, and H. R. Sites.

Deacons orders: H. A. Klingeman, and with Lee D. Reed, received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders: R. A. Babcock, C. F. Gunther, B. F. Heiser, C. E. Keafer, W. K. Hosterman, W. H. Kelly, C. C. Kreidler, C. R. Loss, R. L. Lundy, and V. E. Miller.

Credentials: H. C. Hornbeck to the New York Conference, and Lee D. Reed to the East Pennsylvania Conference.

The episcopal administration of Bishop Maze, closing in this Episcopal Area with this conference, J. W. Thompson spoke words of appreciation for the ministers, and H. W. Shaffer for the laymen, each presenting the bishop with a valuable gift as an expression of our appreciation.

1935

The ninety-sixth annual session convened March 7, in Grace Evangelical church, Lemoyne, Pa., Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, P. A. Werner and C. R. Ness, assistants.

Following the order of service as adopted in 1914 for the opening of our annual conference sessions, Bishop Stamm conducted a very impressive Communion service.

While conference stood with bowed heads, the secretary called the names of the 138 deceased ministers on the Necrology Roll of conference.

E. L. Kessler, H. T. Searle, E. E. Haney, W. M. Sanner, C. E. Hewitt, C. L. Sones, Mrs. I. Y. Reed, Mrs. Wm. Minsker, Mrs. I. N. Bair, Mrs. C. D. Moore, Mrs. A. L. Reeser and Mrs. Marie Cox Kuntz died during the year.

A. F. Weaver, E. C. Basom and W. J. Dice were reelected to the office of District Superintendent.

Received as advisory members: Dr. S. J. Umbreit, Dr. R. M. Veh, Dr. E. G. Frye, Dr. G. L. Schaller, Dr. J. W. Klein, Dr. C. H. Lilly, Dr. E. E. Stouffer and Rev. G. A. Oswald, Dr. W. L. Bollman, Dr. C. A. Mock.

Deacons orders were granted to Carl E. Young who was also received into the itinerancy.

Elders orders granted to J. F. Diehl, H. A. Houseal, Paul M. Miller and W. N. Smeltzer.

License to preach the gospel was granted to J. D. Book, K. I. Bower, H. A. DeWire, Clair Leber.

Arnold Weaver and W. H. Kuhne were granted credentials to the Wisconsin and New York Conferences respectively.

Bishop J. F. Dunlap and W. B. Cox were granted a superannuated relation.

1936

The ninety-seventh annual session convened March 5, in St. Paul's church, Red Lion, Pa., Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, Paul A. Werner and C. R. Ness, assistants.

In the Memorial Service, Secretary H. R. Wilkes stated that the ministerial ranks of the conference had not been broken during the past year by the messenger of death. Two minister's wives were called from labor to reward: Mrs. M. I. Jamison and Mrs. G. L. Maice, for whom appropriate memoirs were read.

Superannuated: J. F. Hower, after an active ministry of 38 years, was granted a superannuated relation.

Granted deacons orders and received into the itinerancy: S. G. Burgett, R. M. Jarrett and S. A. Snyder, Jr.

Elders orders granted to H. A. Klingeman.

Credentials were granted to H. A. Benfer, Jr.

Albright College trustees elected W. I. Shambaugh and H. A. Ebert.

The Albright Brotherhood mass meeting was held Saturday evening, Herman A. Ebert, president, presiding. The address was de-

livered by Hon. John A. McSparran on "The Challenge Given the Christian Church."

The Brotherhood of the conference voted to sponsor the procuring of a bus for the Orphanage at Lewisburg, Pa.

1937

The ninety-eighth annual session convened March 11, in Grace Evangelical church, Lewistown, Pa., Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, Paul A. Werner and C. R. Ness, assistants.

The memorial secretary, H. R. Wilkes, announced the names of those of our number who had died during the year: E. Fulcomer, J. Womeldorf, I. N. Bair, J. H. Furner, Mrs. H. H. Douty, Mrs. J. F. Dunlap, Mrs. J. Shambach, Mrs. J. E. Newcomer, and Mrs. P. S. Orwig.

Elders orders: Carl E. Young.

Deacons orders and received into the itinerancy: W. E. Basom, Geo. W. Frey, Jr., L. L. Stabler, and H. L. Brininger.

Licensed to preach: Lewis A. Briner and James P. Reed.

W. C. Hoch, after 44 years, and W. L. Kamble, after 27 years of active service in the gospel ministry, were granted a superannuated relation.

The names of Dr. B. E. Niebel, formerly a medical missionary in China, J. P. VanOstrand and H. A. Lackey, delegate-elect to this conference, who have died during the year, were referred to the Committee on Memorials.

J. D. Shortess, president of the Historical Society, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The Central Pa. Conference, and Missionary Society will mark the one hundredth anniversary of their founding two years hence, 1939, therefore,

"Resolved, That the proper observance of the anniversary be referred to a committee of five who shall provide a tentative program for said anniversary and report to conference next year."

The chairman appointed A. F. Weaver, E. C. Basom, W. J. Dice, J. D. Shortess and W. E. Peffley, as the Committee on Centennial.

Albright College Liquidation. The following were appointed as a Conference Committee for the campaign on the "Debt Liquidation of Albright College" project: Bishop J. S. Stamm, A. F. Weaver, E. C. Basom, W. J. Dice, N. L. Hummel, J. W. Kreckler, S. A. Snyder, Sr., J. H. Fleckenstine, R. O. Steely, H. M. Buck, J. W. Thompson, F. H. Sanders, E. J. Bayne, H. A. Ebert, W. J. Woods, W. J. R. Rine, J. F. Shearer, H. W. Shaffer and F. H. Breining.

1938

The ninety-ninth annual session convened March 10, in St. John's Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, Paul A. Werner and C. R. Ness, assistants.

Memorial Secretary H. R. Wilkes announced that death had not entered the ranks of the ministry of our conference during the past year. Three faithful minister's wives, however, were called from labor to reward: Mrs. C. W. Finkbinder, Mrs. F. H. Foss, and Mrs. C. L. Sones.

Reminiscent. Rev. A. A. Winter, D.D., Superintendent of the Old People's Home and Orphanage at Lewisburg, said: "Forty-two years ago conference convened in this church, then newly built, at which time a large class of applicants for license to preach the gospel presented itself." Speaking for the class, Dr. Winter, one of the applicants, addressed conference with deep feeling. A beautiful basket of flowers was presented to conference by Dr. and Mrs. Winter.

Little did we think when Dr. Winter was speaking that this would be his last conference, yet before another conference session, Dr. Winter was quite suddenly called home, October 27, 1938.

S. S. Mumey, after 49 years, W. J. Campbell, after 47 years, L. M. Dice, after 42 years, and Wm. O'Donnell, after 20 years of active ministry, were, at their request, granted a superannuated relation.

Mark L. Fiester, C. C. Kyle, and Calvin Harden were granted credentials to unite with other conferences.

William F. Woods was granted license to preach the gospel.

R. M. Jarrett, and S. A. Snyder, Jr., were advanced to the order of elder.

I. C. Bailey, Jr., W. A. Bartges, and Geo. L. Miller were granted deacons orders and received into the itinerancy.

Centennial Committee Report. The following is an excerpt of the report of the Committee on Conference Centennial:

"1. That Dr. J. D. Shortess make investigation in the field of 'Motion Pictures' and the possibilities of such exhibitions for the local churches, he to be assisted by H. M. Buck, J. H. Ricker and A. D. Gramley.

"2. That a History of the Conference, including the Missionary Society be published; Dr. W. E. Peffley to serve as editor, and Dr. J. D. Shortess and A. D. Gramley to furnish the historical material, the History to contain approximately 325 pages.

"3. That a Pageant be prepared for use throughout the conference during the centennial year, 1939-40, and that Mrs. Herman A. Ebert, Red Lion, Pa., be engaged to write the pageant.

"7. That a fraternal delegate be elected to represent this Conference at the East Pa. Conference session of 1939, to present our conference felicitations and best wishes in its proposed centennial celebration. Dr. W. E. Peffley was elected to represent our conference."

1939

The one hundredth annual session convened March 9, in First Evangelical church, Carlisle, Pa., Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., presiding, J. H. Fleckenstine, secretary, F. E. Remaly, Paul A. Werner and C. R. Ness, assistants.

Memorial Secretary H. R. Wilkes read the Memoirs for the six ministers and five wives or widows of preachers who had fallen asleep in Christ during the past year: L. E. Crumbling, W. H. Lilley, J. T. Pettit, J. H. Ricker, J. H. Welch, and Dr. A. A. Winter; Mrs. W. B. Cox, Mrs. A. H. Irvine, Mrs. W. H. Lilley, Mrs. J. C. Reeser, and Mrs. A. Stapleton.

District Superintendents Elected. A. F. Weaver was reelected, and N. L. Hummel and G. C. Gabriel newly elected to the office of District Superintendent, and stationed: York District, A. F. Weaver; Lewisburg District, G. C. Gabriel; Williamsport District, N. L. Hummel.

Thursday evening session was set apart for the observance of the 100th anniversary of the organization of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. Addresses: (1) As official representative of the East Pennsylvania Conference, I. F. Bergstresser, district superintendent of the Eastern District, brought greetings from "A Sister Conference;" the greetings were very heart warming; (2) "Pioneers of the Central Pennsylvania Conference" was the subject of an ably presented address by Dr. J. D. Shortess, president of the Historical Society of the Evangelical Church; (3) Dr. W. E. Peffley, secretary of the Conference Missionary Society, spoke informingly and challengingly on the subject: "The Spirit of Missions"; (4) "Organizations and Institutions Sponsored by the Central Pennsylvania Conference" was unfolded in graphic language and with picturesque symbols by A. D. Gramley, historical secretary of the Historical Society.

The President of Albright College, Dr. H. V. Masters, was very warmly welcomed, and addressed conference in the interest of Albright. He indicated that the administration desires that Albright College be a distinctly Christian College in the fullest sense. To this end he sought the prayers and help of the members of conference.

Bishop Stamm introduced Rev. H. L. Brininger, newly elected Director of Public Relations of Albright College, and a member of

this conference. The brief message of the director was very cordially received and greatly appreciated.

The 17 recommendations from the General Conference were voted on, there being 167 votes cast on each recommendation.

License to preach was granted to Mervin Runner.

Elders orders were granted to W. E. Basom, H. L. Brininger, G. W. Frey, Jr., and L. L. Stabler.

F. A. Kurz, Jr., was received on credentials from the New York Conference, and also received into the itinerancy.

Howard Huddell, of the Nebraska Conference, Roy H. Stetler, Jr., of the East Pennsylvania Conference, and M. R. Vogel, of the Kansas Conference, were received on credentials from their respective conferences.

F. H. Foss, H. Minsker, J. W. Thompson and D. F. Young were granted a superannuated relation.

Centennial Committee reported:

"1. The Motion Picture has been completed, and available in two reels of 800 feet, containing view of conference group of 1938, and many views of historical interest throughout the conference representing 'One Hundred Years of Kingdom Building in the Central Conference.' These reels may be had for exhibition by applying to the chairman of committee, J. D. Shortess.

"2. The material for the History of the Conference is about completed and in the hands of the editor, W. E. Peffley.

"3. The Pageant entitled "The Open Door" has been completed and will be demonstrated in the auditorium of the Carlisle High School building by a group of young people from First Church, Carlisle, this Sunday evening. Mrs. H. A. Ebert the author deserves much credit for this masterly production, which so clearly portrays one-hundred years of Evangelical history of the Central Pa. Conference.

"4. That the centennial observance be held throughout the conference as Centennial Week during the week of September 18 to 24, 1939, reaching a climax on Sunday, September 24th.

"5. That the service of Mr. C. H. Breon and son, photographers of Millheim, Pa., be secured for a picture of this conference, the same to be taken this Friday afternoon.

Administrative Council of Conference Authorized:

"WHEREAS, The General Conference has created the Administrative Council of the Evangelical Church, and has provided for the creation of an Administrative Council in each Annual Conference, therefore,

"Resolved, That the conference welcomes the privilege to coöperate with the General Church in promoting this agency and appreciates the opportunity thus afforded to unify our program and promote our work.

"Resolved, That we now create and do hereby create the 'Administrative Council of the Central Pa. Conference' of the Evangelical Church in harmony with the purpose and the recommendations of the General Conference."

The organization of the Administrative Council was completed by electing Bishop J. S. Stamm, president; A. F. Weaver, vice-president, and G. C. Gabriel, secretary-treasurer.

Beverly Hills, Va. H. R. Mark, lay delegate from Beverly Hills, Alexandria, Va., the youngest mission of conference, spoke words of appreciation for the help and service given by the conference to this new and very promising mission field.

Evangelical Home Superintendent. Rev. F. H. Sanders, the successor of the late Dr. A. A. Winter, Superintendent of the Evangelical Home and Orphanage, spoke very feelingly of his work and presented a vision of the many needs of the Home. The address was received appreciating interest.

CHAPTER X

CONFERENCE AUXILIARY SOCIETIES

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Conference Missionary Society is the oldest organization of the conference, excepting the conference itself. It is in purpose and practice identical with the conference organization, and in point of time is, within a year, as old as the Parent Missionary Society. This general organization had its beginning in the home of John S. Dunkel in Buffalo Valley, Union County, on March 1, 1839. Here the constitution of the society was adopted, and on March 25th of the same year the General Conference held in the Musser church at Millheim officially adopted it.

In 1855 the Western Conference of the Evangelical Association was divided geographically into the Central Pennsylvania and the Pittsburgh Conferences. The Missionary Society of the Central Conference evidently had its beginning in that year, although its identity and continuity existed in the Parent Society which had its beginning within the bounds of the Central Pennsylvania Conference territory.

The purpose of this Society has always been the extension of the Kingdom by establishing missions in needy places in city, town, village and country where the Gospel might be preached, souls saved, and churches organized. The same spirit which motivated Jacob Albright in his evangelistic itinerary has characterized the missionaries and the membership of the conference. Most of our large, influential churches were once missions, supported by the free-will offerings of the members of the churches of the conference. The membership of the Society is composed of all the members of the annual conference and lay members throughout the conference: "any person paying not less than one dollar annually shall be a member of the Society; and the payment at any one time of ten dollars shall constitute a life membership."—*Constitution*.

The Society is represented on the General Board of Missions by a delegate elected quadrennially. The officers of the Society shall constitute a Board of Trustees or Directors who shall receive bequests and attend to the interests of the Society during the interval of its yearly meetings.

In 1923 the charter of the Society was amended to conform to the name of the church adopted at the merger in October, 1922, with official headquarters at Lewisburg, Pa.

We can appreciate the importance of our missionary operations and the missionary spirit of our members when we note the increasing number of missions established in the conference and the percentage of missions to the total number of appointments. In 1880—the first official record—there were 12 missions and a total of 63 appointments, or 19%. It is interesting to know that all but two of these missions have become self-supporting stations or circuits. In 1900 there were 30 missions and a total number of appointments of 97, or 30%. In 1920, 61 missions and 122 appointments, or 50%. Today there are 55 missions and 108 appointments, or 50%. Since 1920, due to increasing facilities and economic conditions, some of our appointments have been merged; but the percentage of missions remains the same, indicating the continued need of expansion and the sustained interest of our people in the missionary program of the conference. During these sixty years of record—1880 to 1939, inclusive—the conference has contributed to the support of its missions the magnificent sum of \$882,911.00. The present officers of the Society are: President Emeritus, E. Crumbling; President, J. D. Shortess, D.D.; first Vice-President, C. W. Guinter; second Vice-President, F. L. Teter; Secretary, W. E. Peffley, D.D.; Treasurer, A. F. Weaver, D.D.; delegate to the Board of Missions, E. C. Basom; alternate, N. L. Hummel.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRACT UNION

For many years this Society has served the Central Pennsylvania Conference in a quiet but effective manner, helping wherever it was needed. It is the object of this Society to aid newly organized mission Sunday schools and to supply the needy organizations with song books and suitable literature. Appropriate tracts are distributed.

The purpose of the Society is the accumulation and free distribution of useful religious knowledge. Religious teachings in the form of a printed page takes on eyes, hands, and feet as it makes subtle entrances into secluded spots. It enters houses uninvited, and instead of waiting to be sought, it goes out everywhere in the attracted forms of useful literature seeking to win souls for Christ.

In 1881, the Sunday School and Tract Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference had for its officers the following: President, C. F. Deininger; Vice-President, I. M. Pines; Secretary, S. P. Remer; Assistant Secretary, J. H. Peters; Treasurer, D. W. Miller.

The very name is pregnant with nobility, thoughtfulness, and helpfulness. The benefits of such an organization can best be depicted

by the recital of at least two thrilling incidents. Some years ago a thoughtless lad picked up a rusty penny and the following Sabbath used it as an offering for missions. The boy scarcely dreamed of the seed he had sown when he gave that despised penny. The penny was thrown aside as worthless when the box was opened at the end of the month. However, a lady who knew of its history, picked it up and bought a small tract entitled, "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" This was sent to a missionary friend in India. After translating it, the missionary sent it to a native teacher in a distant province, who, upon reading it, was led to Jesus himself, and being a man of great influence, he began to teach and preach Jesus. Crowds came to hear his thrilling message. In less than one year over one thousand souls were saved. Despise not the day of small things.

A tract, entitled, *Death Conquered*, was blown by a gust of wind across the path of a charming little girl, who in Sunday school had learned to sing "Jesus Loves Me" and herself loved him. She picked it up and carried it home as a treasure. A prominent but sick atheist lived near her home. No minister was allowed to see him. Several devout men sought to see him for the purpose of spiritual consolation, but in vain. On a sunshiny afternoon, this bright little girl, with a dish of choice fruit covered with an apparently insignificant piece of paper, rang the bell of the stately mansion, and was admitted to his room. The sick man welcomed the girl with a kiss. With many thanks he had given for her kindness, she retraced her steps and left the imposing mansion. The old man partook of the luscious fruit and then picked up the paper with which it had been covered. The title at once arrested his attention—*Death Conquered*. He began to read and as he did so he became more and more interested, and finally called for his wife, who, upon entering his sick room, found him in tears. He began to pray, she prayed, the minister of the Gospel was sent for and the atheist was happily converted, and died a Christian. This illustrates the kind of work accomplished by the Tract Society. The Rev. Jesse M. Ettinger, in March, 1884, at Milton, delivered an address to the Sunday School and Tract Union on the importance of its work and used these two illustrations. For many years the work of the Conference Society has been promoted by the General Society with headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio.

During the last quadrennium, song books and literature amounting to \$662.97 were distributed, and 236,868 free tracts and pamphlets were printed and issued at a cost of \$2,211.28. At this writing, seventeen different tracts are being issued and others are in process of preparation.

CONFERENCE BRANCH WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

(By MRS. A. F. WEAVER)

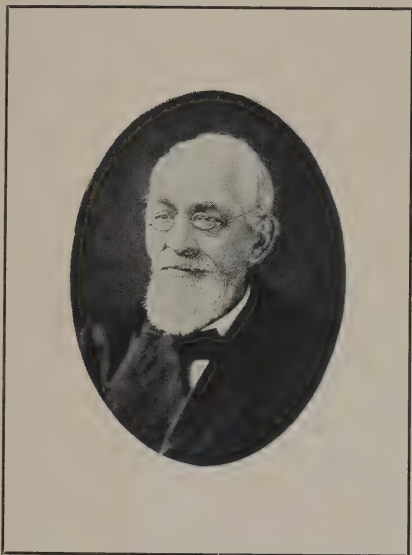
While the men of the church were promoting missionary interests throughout the bounds of the conference, establishing missions in fertile fields, the women were not idle in service for their Lord and Master. Records of local organizations are extant as early as 1884, the year of the organization of the General Woman's Missionary Society. Mrs. W. E. Detwiler in 1885 was appointed organizer for Central Pennsylvania Conference territory. Under manifest guidance of the Spirit, high enthusiasm, and encouraging representation of the conference, on June 20, 1890, the Central Pennsylvania Branch Woman's Missionary Society was organized with the following personnel of officers: President, Mrs. W. E. Detwiler; Vice-President, Mrs. J. H. Thomas; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. W. Swengel; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Emma Dittmar; Treasurer, Miss Sadie Probst. Central Branch was one of six Branches organized during this year. Mrs. Detwiler represented the Branch in the sixth annual meeting of the general organization in September of the same year, in Calvary church, Cleveland, Ohio.

From the beginning the value of the enlistment of the children was recognized and Mission Bands were organized. In the second annual meeting Miss Emma Dittmar was elected superintendent of Mission Bands. Young people, through Junior Societies, were next marshalled into organization and the Young People's Missionary Society became a department of work with Mrs. S. P. Remer as superintendent. The organization of the tiny tots into a Cradle Roll became a department of Branch work in 1898. Later, in 1903, upon the organization of the Home Department, these two were combined and Mrs. W. P. Ritter elected superintendent.

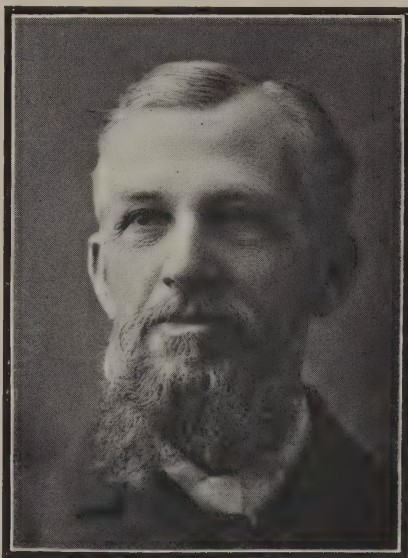
Early the women of the Branch heeded the Master's command, "Go, tell," and began to gather money for the fulfillment of their fond, eager hopes. When, in 1910, Supt. Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Dubs sailed for China, the chosen Foreign Mission field of the church, these ambassadors had nowhere more ardent supporters in prayers and gifts than Central Pennsylvania Branch constituency. Not many years later a daughter of the Branch, Mary Mundis, later Mrs. W. I. Shambaugh, enlisted in foreign service.

For a period, beginning in 1907, Deaconess work engaged the interest of Central Pennsylvania Branch and was promoted through Branch and Conference coöperation, three members elected by each respective body. Mrs. W. P. Ritter, Mrs. S. P. Remer, and Mrs. J. A. Hollenbaugh were the Branch members of the first committee.

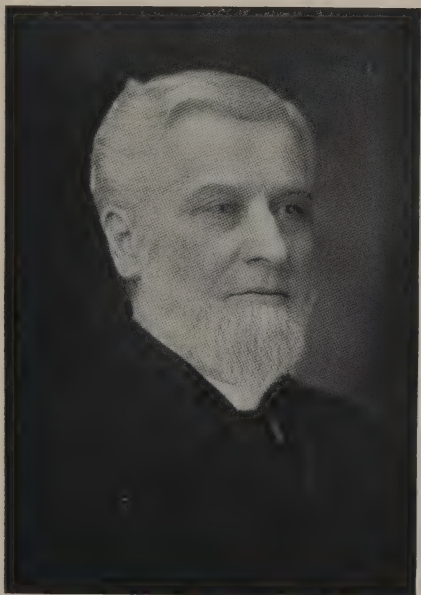
EVANGELICAL BISHOPS FROM THE CENTRAL
PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE



W. W. ORWIG, 1859-63



H. B. HARTZLER, D.D., 1902-10



U. F. SWENGEL, D.D., 1910-18



J. F. DUNLAP, D.D., 1922-34

MISSIONARY EDITORS FROM CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA
CONFERENCE



ANNA C. WEAVER
1909-1914



EMMA D. MESSINGER
1914-1939

Miss Elsie Bentz was the pioneer Deaconess and served in the beginning as the Branch Secretary of the Deaconess Society. Other Deaconesses who later were enlisted and served throughout the Conference were: Misses Grace Hershman, Georgiana Hoke, Clara Ziegenfus, and Mrs. Bessie Ihrie. Owing to the lack of calls for workers the Conference Deaconess Society in 1930 disbanded, the funds of the same, at the direction of the organization, being diverted to the Lewisburg Evangelical Home, the Albright Memorial Church project, and Central Pennsylvania Conference Missionary Society.

Mission Study Courses and Missionary Oratorical Contests as a means of education in the field of missions were strongly urged. *Missionary Tidings*, the organ of the general society,—in 1922 the name of *The Evangelical Missionary World* was given the missionary magazine, and *Missionary Gem*, for the boys and girls, received due emphasis. The value of the printed page as a promotional means was recognized by Branch leaders and *Central Missionary News*, Mrs. A. F. Weaver, editor, was launched, March, 1926, three numbers being issued during the year; two numbers in later years. As a successor to the *News*, in 1933, the *Central Newsette*, a quarterly mimeographed four-page bulletin, supervised by the versatile, efficient Branch president, Mrs. C. N. Kidd, began its mission of most helpful suggestions, pertinent reminders and clear outlines of work to be done in each department of Branch activity. Branch department officers and missionary leaders present phases of promotional interest from time to time. *The Central Newsletter*, capably edited by Miss Lenore Losch, the Y. P. M. C. secretary, promotes the interests of this department.

Through the years the Branch has supported through liberal contributions, promotional work recommended by the General Woman's Missionary Society, and also that undertaken by our own Branch. General: Foreign Work, the Kentucky Mission, the Chair of Missions,—a memorial to Mrs. E. M. Spreng, Albright Memorial church, Washington. Branch Projects: Deaconess Work, Missionary Cottage, support of the Educational Fund, the Burgett Cottage at Red Bird,—memorial to Mrs. M. I. Jamison, and the latest, Beverly Hills church, Virginia.

Early in our missionary history the boys and girls were enlisted in carrying forward the Gospel, verifying the truth of the saying that, "The world moves forward on the feet of little children." So Central Branch marched with colors flying in the Mission Band Golden Jubilee celebrated in 1935 in a manner fitting the loveliness of childhood. Mrs. E. C. Basom, general secretary of Mission Bands, contributed much to the success in leadership in the year's celebration.

The historical pageant, "A Little Child Shall Lead," was presented by Mrs. R. H. Dick and Glen Rock participants in the annual Branch meeting.

During the years Central Branch has served as hostess to Woman's Board meetings as follows: First annual meeting of the United Evangelical Woman's General Society in 1895, Lewisburg; 1896, Glen Rock—Woman's Board organized; 1902, Hughesville; 1907, Berwick (Bower Memorial); 1918, Williamsport (St. John's); in 1926, the first quadrennial meeting of the merged Woman's Missionary Societies, York (Trinity); and in 1938, the Woman's Department with the Board of Missions meeting in Lemoyne.

Central Pennsylvania Branch has made her contribution to the general organization in official capacity and support, general officers being: Mrs. W. E. Detwiler, treasurer twenty-five years; Mrs. S. P. Remer, recording secretary eleven years and Board president nine years; Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Cradle Roll superintendent—Little Herald secretary, total twenty-six years; Anna M. Crowell, editor *Missionary Tidings* and *Missionary Gem*, five years; Emma Messinger, editor *Missionary Tidings-Missionary World* and *Missionary Gem*, 1914—(present incumbent); Mrs. E. C. Basom, Mission Band Secretary, twelve years.

Members of the Branch serving on Merger Committees: Miss Emma D. Messinger, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Mrs. M. I. Jamison, Mrs. A. D. Bentz, Mrs. S. A. Snyder. Through the years Central ladies have served on committees on constitutions, literature committees, monthly program material and preparation, executive committees, Summer Missionary Conferences, delegates to Woman's Boards, Board of Missions, the Woman's Council, and in many other ways much service has been rendered.

The Branch activities of thirty years—1890-1920—have been recorded in an interesting, informing manner by Mrs. Huldah Baumgardner in a printed Branch history. Since this date the history of the Branch has been presented in five-year periods by Mrs. A. F. Weaver, present historian.

Two Branch daughters in the persons of Carrie Smithgall Ebert (Mrs. H. A.), and Elizabeth Pettee Klingeman (Mrs. H. A.), made fine literary contributions to Jubilee celebrations in pageant productions: "The Line Shall Not Break," Mrs. Ebert, and for the Mission Band Jubilee, "A Little Child Shall Lead," Mrs. Klingeman.

The present officary of the Branch is: President, Mrs. C. Newton Kidd; Vice-President, Mrs. H. D. Hill; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mitchell Younken; Promotional Secretary, Miss Lizzie Stump; Treasurer, Mrs. Herman Ebert; Historian, Mrs. A. F. Weaver;

Secretary Y. P. M. C., Miss Lenore Losch; Secretary Mission Band, Mrs. Lee C. Foust; Secretary Little Herald, Mrs. B. G. Hoffman; Organizers: Mrs. W. I. Shambaugh, Mrs. Lawrence E. Waltz, Mrs. A. C. Ruth.

THE EDUCATIONAL AID SOCIETY

(BY REV. H. M. BUCK, *Secretary*)

This organization was effected at the annual session of the conference held in the Trinity Evangelical church, York, Pa., March 6, 1890, following the report of the Committee on Beneficiary Fund.

The Evangelical Association has for many years not only believed in higher education, but has put her faith into practice by establishing seminaries and colleges in the East and in the West. The wise investment of our benevolent people in this particular has borne fruit in the culture of the noblest sons and daughters of the Church. As we contemplate this fact, we are confronted and impressed with a defect in our educational machinery which it is high time to remedy. Although we have recognized its existence, we have done nothing to remove the well-nigh universally admitted deficiency.

The felt need to which we refer is a fund to assist indigent students for the ministry. A certain writer has said: "The ranks of the sacred ministry always have been largely recruited from that class that lacks means requisite to receive the necessary education." Who can doubt that this is God's plan? Just as surely as it is the duty of the church to provide the means.

We believe it is to be the duty which the church owes itself to make its ministry as efficient as possible, and that all other things being equal, an educated ministry has the greatest advantages within its grasp.

The committee recommended: That the organization be effected to aid theological students who are preparing for the ministry of this conference or for foreign missions in our Church; that, the society be constituted by persons who contribute an annual fee of at least one dollar; that, the officers of the society shall be members of the Evangelical Association; that, the appropriation of aid shall be made by a Board of Education to be constituted of four preachers and three laymen, to be elected by ballot; that the proceedings of both the Society and of the Board shall be subject to ratification by this conference.

The Constitution adopted 1890 has had few changes and revisions made to it since that date to make it harmonize with the new name and program of the enlarged Evangelical Church, but its content and purpose have remained unchanged, viz: to aid worthy young men

from the Central Pennsylvania Conference who are students for the ministry to obtain a college and a seminary training.

The payment of ten dollars shall constitute a life membership; fifty dollars an honorary membership; one hundred dollars an honorary life membership, with the privilege to speak but not to vote.

Loans are granted to the student approved by the Board, as the funds of the Society warrant them; the payment being made to the proper authorities of the institution of which he is a student. The beneficiary signs a note for each loan and after a certain date it becomes due and interest-bearing until repaid in full to the Society, unless by special action other arrangements are approved at the annual session of the conference.

The first loan was granted 1892 to one of our ministers still in the active work of our conference. He, with scores of others, has received needed help, without which they could not have obtained their ministerial preparation. By them the Gospel has been preached at home and abroad. These loans have been blessings that pay pleasant dividends repeatedly, year after year, to the student helped, to the Society and to the members and friends who furnished the funds. We know of no place where money invested brings larger or better returns. Today fifty per cent of the active ministers of the Central Pennsylvania Conference are Albright men, having received training in either college or School of Theology or both. The total amount of loans to ministers and students in 1939 was \$8,398.30.

The present officers are: President, W. I. Shambaugh; vice-president, C. W. Guintner; secretary, H. M. Buck; corresponding secretary, A. C. Ruth; Assistant Secretary, J. W. Kreckler; Treasurer, G. C. Gabriel.

BIBLE CONFERENCE SOCIETY

At the suggestion of Dr. U. F. Swengel, the Committee of Education submitted a report to conference then in session at East Prospect, March 3, 1894, recommending the organization of the Bible Conference. The report was adopted and a committee was appointed with the Rev. G. W. Currin as chairman, to canvass the conference and get the sentiment of the members in definite and tangible form. Next morning this committee reported that 59 members of conference had signed the application for the organization of a Bible Conference, each pledging himself for the sum of \$1.00 membership fee.

On the sixth of March the following Permanent Bible Conference Committee was appointed by the Annual Conference: Dr. U. F. Swengel, D. M. Metzger, G. W. Currin, Dr. A. Stapleton and Dr. A. E. Gobble. At the close of the afternoon session this committee

met at the home of William Olewiler and organized. The committee elected Dr. H. B. Hartzler as Chancellor, formed a tentative program and took the initiatory steps for holding the first session of the Bible Conference.

The first Central Pennsylvania Bible Conference was held on the Pine Station Camp Ground, near Lock Haven, August 1-3, 1894. It was well attended and the success of the movement was assured.

The next year the Bible Conference was held in Emig's Grove, near York, which was leased for the purpose. In 1896 the conference was held in Sylvan Dell Park, near Williamsport. At this conference it rained every day, and this, together with the growing difficulty of securing a suitable grove for the meetings, led to the abandonment of holding the meetings in a grove and from this time till 1908 the meetings were held in churches to which the conference was invited by the congregations: in 1897, York (Trinity); 1898, Berwick (Bower Memorial); 1899, Carlisle; 1900, Millheim; 1901, Lewisburg; 1902, Carlisle; 1903, Marysville; 1904, Lock Haven; 1905, Marysville; 1906, Red Lion; 1907, Lewistown; 1908, Williamsport (First).

As early as 1895 a committee was appointed to look for a suitable permanent grove for the Bible Conference. There were then a number of camp grounds within the bounds of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, but none was considered suitable for a permanent Bible Conference ground. A fine grove was seen near West Milton and often spoken of as "just the place if it could be secured," but at that time this grove was not available.

At the Bible Conference held in Grace church, Lewistown, in 1907, Hon. Charles A. Shaffer, one of the most active laymen belonging to the Bible Conference Society, came to the conference and in a mysterious manner began communicating something to a number of the leading members of the conference. A little caucus was called and then the fact was made known that the Miller grove near West Milton could be bought. This was almost too good to believe. A committee was appointed to investigate. It was learned that Mr. Miller was in love with his grove and was pained at the thought that after his death it would be cut down, converted into lumber and turned into money. He preferred that it should always remain a grove and the thought occurred to him that if he would sell it to the Evangelical Bible Conference Society it would not only remain a grove but be improved and beautified.

The grove was bought and prepared for summer conference purposes, and on August 18, 19, 1909, the Central Pennsylvania Bible Conference held its first session at Central Oak Heights.

Central Oak Heights is widely and favorably known throughout Central Pennsylvania, and is an ideal place for worship, Bible study, rest and recreation. Its outlook is magnificent. It affords, to a lover of landscapes, a superlative panorama. One may look from this point into seven counties: Union, Clinton, Lycoming, Snyder, Sullivan, Northumberland, and Montour.

Central Oak Heights has been blossoming into beauty under the superintendency of W. E. Custer and J. C. Winter, both prominent laymen in the Central Pennsylvania Conference. The caretaker, George Hosterman, and his efficient wife, have helped to beautify the grove. This Evangelical Mecca is growing more and more popular from year to year. Our young people have learned to love the place. Many happy reminiscences come to their minds as they perform their tasks in their home churches. It is a place of culture and dignified refinement.

The Indians made this promontory a sylvan outlook in the days of our early history when they roamed about over hills, plains, and along stream beds. Here the famous Indian chief, the mighty warrior, had located the town of Shikellamy. For observation, the great Indian chief, Shikellamy, took his position at point "Look Out" and scanned the horizon, and for protection as well as observation, he quickened his pace and found safety among the tribal tents and wigwams at the foot of this vigilant bluff. A large boulder has been rolled into place and officially dedicated as a marker designating this Pennsylvania beauty spot as a place of historic value. On the bronze tablet is found the following inscription: "On the plain stretching south-east from this ridge was situated the Indian village of 'Shikellamy's Old Town' which was visited by Conrad Weiser in 1737 when on his way to Onondage. Shikellamy was appointed vicegerent of the Iroquois Confederacy in 1745 and made Shamokin (Sunbury) his headquarters. Erected by The Pennsylvania Historical Commission, the Union County Historical Society and The United Evangelical Church Historical Society in 1927."

The present officers are: president, J. W. Thompson; Vice-President, S. S. Mumey; secretary-treasurer, G. C. Gabriel; assistant secretary, J. B. Mays; chancellor, Bishop J. F. Dunlap.

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF THE CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE

The object of this organization is to assist needy congregations to secure church homes by buying lots, or building churches or making loans; to afford benevolently disposed persons an opportunity to help needy churches at strategic points, and to give them a channel

through which they can make their contribution. Above all, the motive of this organization is to extend the Kingdom of Christ.

The constitution of this splendid organization was adopted March 9, 1903. However, it had its beginning on March 24, 1893, at Glen Rock, Pennsylvania, when eighteen ministers met and took steps toward the organization of the Church Extension Society. The leader of this movement and its dominant spirit was Rev. G. W. Currin. Rev. H. W. Buck was elected temporary chairman, and Rev. U. F. Swengel, secretary. On May 25, 1893, a permanent organization was effected. Eighteen members were received and paid their dues.

The charter members were: Revs. H. W. Buck, A. S. Baumgardner, E. B. Bailey, George W. Currin, H. H. Douty, M. F. Fosselman, Dr. A. E. Gobble, J. A. Hollenbaugh, A. H. Irvine, George Joseph, D. M. Metzger, G. L. Maice, S. P. Remer, L. S. Reichard, U. F. Swengel, J. Shambach, Noah Young and D. F. Young.

Permanent organization was as follows: President, A. H. Irvine; Vice-President, Noah Young; Secretary, D. M. Metzger; Corresponding Secretary, M. F. Fosselman; Treasurer, G. W. Currin; Managing Board, H. W. Buck, J. A. Hollenbaugh and S. P. Remer.

Among the churches in the Central Pennsylvania Conference that received financial help are the following: Altoona, Avis, Bellwood, Bellefonte, Bloomsburg, Berwick (North and West), Balls Mills, Enola, Dallastown, Hellam, Juniata, Lemoyne, Lewistown (Trinity and Grace), Mechanicsburg, Milton, Mifflinburg, Mount Royal, New Kingston, Northumberland, Baltimore (Olive Branch, Immanuel, Wallbrook, Saint John's), York (Bethany, Christ, Saint Paul, Zion, Grace), Yorkshire, Williamsport (Trinity, St. John's, Grace), Selinsgrove, Washington, D. C., and Beverly Hills, Va. In 1905 the total loans were \$25,061.23; in 1939 the amount was \$331,489.50.

The present officers are: President, J. O. Biggs; Vice-President, H. D. Hill; Secretary, E. C. Basom; Treasurer, J. W. Thompson; Corresponding Secretary, S. S. Mumey. The Board of Administration consists of the Board of Trustees and the District Superintendents.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Historical Society of the Evangelical Church was born at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, on the twelfth day of March, 1907, at 7 o'clock in the evening, as a conference project.

U. F. Swengel was elected president; John D. Shortess, vice-president; E. Crumblin, secretary; A. Stapleton, corresponding secretary and historian; J. W. Messinger, treasurer; executive committee, U. F. Swengel, J. D. Shortess and A. Stapleton.

The fourth annual session met in the St. John's Evangelical church,

Williamsport, Pennsylvania, on the fifth day of March, 1910, U. F. Swengel presiding, and E. Crumbling, secretary. Recommendations were passed by the society: (1) that literary features and historical addresses be given; (2) that we request annual conference to give us a period of time to hold annual meetings; (3) that addresses be published in a serial pamphlet form; (4) that the executive committee be authorized to enter into an agreement with the trustees of the proposed new Evangelical church edifice at Lewisburg, with a view of securing space or room as a depository for important historical papers, pamphlets, data, and archives.

The Historical Society has accomplished a great deal in collecting valuable data and preserving souvenirs, relics, manuscripts, articles, books, brochures, and pamphlets. In 1907 it published a thrilling report of the centennial celebration held at Kleinfeltersville, Pennsylvania, September 25, 26, 1907, commemorating the organization of the first conference of the Evangelical Church at Muehlbach, Lebanon County, in 1807. This was a valuable contribution. It is eminently fitting that the anniversaries of important events be recorded and preserved in book style for future generations. Some events in our Evangelical Church History stand out like lofty mountain peaks. Such epochs and stirring events should be appropriately celebrated.

To know our history, is to know the deep significance of the great underlying principle involved in these historical events. As we know these principles, we will also be informed about these events and appreciate the goodness of the Great Architect of our Ecclesiastical building. The tendency of history is to prove the existence of an unseen hand, the watchfulness of an invisible eye, and the intelligent government in all the history of the Evangelical Church.

In 1916 the centennial celebration was observed at Dreisbach's, New Berlin, Winfield and Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. A. Stapleton, D.D., was chairman of the committee and A. D. Gramley the secretary.

The personnel of the centennial celebration committee consisted of: Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, D.D., LL.D., Bishop W. F. Heil, D.D., A. E. Gobble, A.M., D.D., J. C. Reeser, A.M., W. S. Harris, J. A. Holtenbaugh, A. Stapleton, D.D., president, A. D. Gramley, B.D., secretary.

The Evangelical centennial celebration was held in commemoration of the following events: (1) at Dreisbach's, the holding of the First General Conference and the permanent organization of the Evangelical Association; (2) at Lewisburg, the establishing of Evangelical work in the State of New York and Canada by pioneers from the Lewisburg Class; (3) at Winfield, the organization of the Evangelical

ical printing business, and the sending out of the first missionaries from the Eyer barn; (4) at New Berlin, the building of the first church and first printing house in the Evangelical Association.

This movement, begun in this conference, grew in interest and enthusiasm, and its influence was recognized beyond the bounds of our conference. In 1922 at the suggestion of Rev. Roy B. Leedy, historian of the Ohio Conference, an auxiliary society was formed in the Ohio Conference. By action of the Society in 1927 petition was made in the Court of Common Pleas of Union County, Pa., for the amendment of the charter. As amended it harmonizes with the action of General Conference which designated this Society as "The Historical Society of the Evangelical Church." Each year since this action, memorial services have been held in the Albright Memorial church and Albright's grave in Kleinfeltersville, Pa. The present officers of the Society are: president, J. D. Shortess, D.D.; vice-president, R. W. Albright, Ph.D.; secretary, H. R. Wilkes; treasurer, H. C. Kleffel; historian, A. D. Gramley.

EVANGELICAL HOMES, LEWISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

The Evangelical Home for aged people has had a providential birth and a marvelous growth. The initial bequest of one hundred fifteen dollars was given by Adolph Weidemyer, and his son, the Reverend Peter C. Weidemyer, held this bequest as a sacred fund and trust for twenty-eight years, when it was transferred to the Central Pennsylvania Conference in 1907. This nest egg grew and grew through the slow years until sentiment was created by the pen of A. Stapleton, who wrote convincing articles in the church periodicals favoring the establishment of an Old Peoples' Home and Orphanage. A farm of approximately 189 acres was purchased near Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, from Dr. L. H. Ross for \$30,000.00 on July 29, 1915. This transaction took place at Central Oak Heights, and it was a memorable moment. A sum of \$3,808.00 was expended for farm equipment and stock in October, 1915. A. A. Winter, D.D., was elected superintendent February 3, 1916. The Board of Trustees voted admission to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Loyer, members of First church, Williamsport, Pa., as the first guests.

The officers were elected March 8, 1910, as follows: president, Noah Young; vice-president, G. W. Currin; recording secretary, S. S. Mumey; corresponding secretary, J. W. Messinger; treasurer, P. C. Weidemyer.

The first anniversary was held in 1917 with President Edwin E. Sparks, LL.D., State College, Pennsylvania, as the guest speaker. The second anniversary was held on August 2, 1918, with Honorable Frank C. Bowersox, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, as guest speaker. On

this day ground was broken for the first dormitory. The third anniversary was held on August 1, 1919, with Bishop W. F. Heil, D.D., as the guest speaker. The fourth anniversary was held on July 31, 1920, with President Charles A. Mock, Ph.D., of Western Union College, Le Mars, Iowa, as the guest speaker. The fifth anniversary was observed on August 5, 1921, with Bishop W. M. Stanford, D.D., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as the guest speaker. The sixth anniversary was held on August 4, 1922, and the Orphanage boys and girls supplemented by the Orphans' Band rendered the program. Dr. A. A. Winter gave a brief address. Ground was broken for dormitory number two in 1924. The dormitory number two was dedicated in 1926 by Bishop John F. Dunlap, Cleveland, Ohio.

Guests admitted to date number 278, and those received 226, and those who died while in the Home register 141 and the number in the Home at this writing is 71. Orphans received into the Orphanage to date, 134, and the number released, 50, and 41 according to age limit, or a total of 91, while 43 are guests at this writing.

In the group of buildings are the Mansion or main building, the barn, two tenant houses, accessory buildings, central heating plant, the laundry with up-to-date equipment, an artistic dormitory number one, and the mansion-like dormitory number two, the central Orphanage unit, a schoolhouse, barn number two, butcher house, a vegetable cellar, poultry buildings, motor car garages, up-to-date hospital building, a hill-side campus with rare trees, the Stineman Memorial Entrance Pillars, the Detwiler, Wampler, Welch, and Thompson cottages, the Chapel for worship and quiet meditation, the modernly equipped kitchens, the inviting dining room, winding paths and paved driveways, shrubbery, touches of artistic skill, the sunshine chasing the shadows on the lawn.

After giving twenty-two years of faithful service as superintendent of the Home, Dr. A. A. Winter passed on to his eternal reward in October, 1938. Dr. Winter had been with the enterprise from its beginning, and contributed largely to its development. F. H. Sanders, pastor of St. John's church, Williamsport, was elected to succeed Dr. Winter.

This conference promotes the institution through an Auxiliary with the following officers: president, H. M. Buck; vice-president, S. A. Snyder, Sr.; secretary, F. E. Remaly; treasurer, I. R. Dunlap.

THE MINISTERIAL AID SOCIETY

This organization came into being approximately twenty-five years ago when some of the leaders among the ministers felt that financial aid should be furnished for the aged itinerants and the widows of

EVANGELICAL HOME AND ORPHANAGE, LEWISBURG, PA.



HOME FOR
THE AGED



THE
ORPHANAGE

CENTRAL OAK HEIGHTS



THE GATEWAYS



THE TABERNACLE



THE RECREATION GROUND

itinerant ministers as they approached the evening and late afternoon of their lives. There is a current fund and also a permanent fund. Each active minister pays into the fund annually a certain per cent of his salary as dues. This, with an annual offering from the charges, constitutes a fund for distribution among the annuitants, which makes it possible for a check to be issued to them. This is a great help to the retired minister and his family. It certainly brings relief when it is most needed. When old age and the infirmities concomitant with this period of life are upon the retreating minister, it is very comforting to have even a small check come to his home regularly. The motive behind the organization, the spirit in its activities, plus the real financial help it brings to the annuitants is one of the most Christ-like achievements possible.

J. W. Messinger was the first president. The initial meetings were held at Central Oak Heights. Some of the pastors were hesitant in joining. The charter was kept open for some time to allow all the ministers to unite and pay their annual dues. The record has it that on July 29, 1915, J. C. Reeser, John D. Shortess, and Mr. Charles A. Shaffer were elected trustees for three years. J. W. Messinger resigned the presidency on account of a serious illness, and J. W. Thompson was elected president on March 3, 1916, at a meeting held in Trinity parsonage, York, Pennsylvania. The following committee on by-laws was appointed: J. C. Reeser, S. P. Remer, A. Stapleton, W. B. Cox, and H. W. Shaffer. The recording secretary was J. C. Reeser, corresponding secretary, D. L. Kepner, and treasurer, John D. Shortess.

In 1917 the receipts were \$2,395.99 and the Permanent Fund, \$1,677.20. In 1919, at Baltimore, Maryland, the Board of Trustees was increased from 9 to 15 members. H. W. Shaffer gave an address to the Society and 10,000 copies of it were printed for distribution. This event gave a new impetus to the organization. In 1919, the total receipts were \$5,508.05; in 1939 the amount was \$26,071.55.

The present officers are: president, J. W. Thompson; vice-president, A. F. Weaver; secretary, J. D. Shortess; corresponding secretary, F. E. Remaly; treasurer, H. W. Shaffer.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education has been a constituent and constructive part of the ministry of the Evangelical Church from the days of Jacob Albright. He made sound and solid statements in his gospel ministry. His preaching and evangelistic efforts were educational and instructive. He taught, he caught, he caged certain fundamental truths

which were basically essential to his campaigns among the Pennsylvania Germans. He affirmed and reaffirmed his attitude in seeking to give religious instruction to those who had been converted and received into the fellowship of the church. He wanted them "to work out their soul's salvation" and be edified in the bonds of Christian fellowship. Therefore, he organized his converts into classes. Each class had a leader. These leaders did a good work. They taught and exhorted their classes to fear God, to read their Bibles, to attend prayer meetings and church services, to have family worship, and live in "accordance with the will of God." His collaborators valued Christian education. Most of their sermons were doctrinal as well as Biblical. Within a brief period after the death of Jacob Albright, these men of God authorized the printing of a catechism. They did not despise the catechism but used it in teaching. This proves the wisdom and good judgment of the early pioneers. They knew that such instruction was beneficial. They themselves had profited by it. Some of them became leaders and outstanding figures in the educational work of those pioneer days. They put emphasis on Biblical knowledge. As early as 1811, systematic instruction in the catechism was declared to be the duty of every minister of the Evangelical Church. The church fathers sought from the beginning to inform and instruct. They wanted their members to know the Bible.

It was claimed that the first Sunday school within the bounds of the Central Pennsylvania Conference was organized in 1835 in the historic town of New Berlin, Pennsylvania.

When the Central Pennsylvania Conference was organized in 1839, all of the recognized agencies in Christian education of that day were in use within the conference. As new methods in Christian education were devised, the far-visioned leaders of the Central Pennsylvania Conference adopted them. They were alert and wide awake. The effective methods of former days, were, however, not discarded *in toto*. The Sunday school is that department of the Church of Christ in which the Word of Christ is taught to bring souls to Christ and to build up souls in Christ. It is a training school noted for its impressions. The Evangelical League of Christian Endeavor makes expression its dominant note. It places emphasis upon the devotional life. Bible reading, the prayer life, stewardship of time, talent, and money, loyalty to the local church and an increasing interest in the outposts and mission stations are the outstanding items that are stressed.

Out of the desire to have a better teaching staff in our Sunday schools with trained leaders and qualified officers grew the organizations of Teacher Training classes. The first pastor of the Central Pennsylvania Conference to organize a class in Teacher Training

was A. D. Gramley. He had unusual success in this kind of work. The honor of being the first Teacher Training class in the Central Pennsylvania Conference to receive their state diplomas belongs to Beavertown, Pennsylvania. This class was graduated in 1900. Soon other pastors heard of this training work and organized classes, until this work in the Central Pennsylvania Conference stood out in the forefront of the entire Evangelical denomination. Into this movement J. F. Dunlap, pastor of the First church, Williamsport, and W. E. Peffley, of York (Zion), and Scranton entered and became ardent promoters of Christian Educational courses among our talented young people. This gave an added impetus to the movement. It became very helpful and popular. It solved the problem of providing competent teachers. The State of Pennsylvania did a splendid work in teacher training. Out of all this grew a textbook written by Dr. W. E. Peffley, entitled, "Evangelical Teacher Training" and was published in 1914. This was a substantial contribution to the teacher-training work and gave it an added impetus.

Subsequently, Vacation Church Schools, Week-Day Schools of Religion, Leadership Training classes, and Workers' Conferences were added and used extensively throughout the Central Pennsylvania Conference. Dr. W. E. Peffley also published a textbook on "Seeking Admission," a doctrinal course of training for church membership. The result of these efforts has been that throughout the Central Pennsylvania Conference not only were many classes in Leadership Training carried on, but in many Evangelical centers schools were conducted. These have kindled new interest in Bible study, the devotional life, history, methods, psychology, and missions.

The School in Leadership Education at Central Oak Heights has been a success from the beginning in 1925. It has brought credit to the dean and faculty and is a well-spring of satisfaction and gratification to the Central Pennsylvania Conference. Here a school has been efficiently and conscientiously conducted for fourteen successive years. Into its devotional atmosphere and academic training the best talent of the conference has gravitated. Outstanding denominational leaders have been on its lecture platform.

The registrar reports the largest and one of the best sessions of the school in 1939, when 294 students were enrolled. The Board of Administration erected the commodious Schaffer Administration Building in 1928. It was made possible by a generous contribution of the late Honorable Charles A. Shaffer of Berwick, Pennsylvania. The equipment of the building was made possible by the gift of Miss Christina Pope, Letort Springs, Pa. Individual contributions were also given by the pastors and laymen of the Central Pennsylvania Conference which, added to the gifts above, made this modern educa-

tional building with its attractive classrooms and dormitory.

Prior to the present arrangements under the auspices of a Board of Administration, a School of Methods, sponsored by the Sunday school, the Keystone League of Christian Endeavor, and the missionary organizations, was conducted for a number of years under the presidency of Miss Emma D. Messinger. On its faculty were such persons as Dr. A. E. Gobble, Dr. W. E. Peffley, Dr. C. I. Raffensperger, I. E. Spangler, A. D. Gramley, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Mrs. U. F. Swengel, Miss Emma D. Messinger and others. This School had for its motto: "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts" (Zechariah 4:6). It did a good work.

Each year in favorable centers on each district, institutes of Christian education and inspirational conventions have been held. These gatherings have been very helpful, and have had the endorsement of the annual conference because of their inspirational and informational values.

In 1922, the General Conference passed important legislation and provided for General and Conference Boards of Sunday schools and Boards of Controls of the Evangelical League of Christian Endeavor as important and effective agencies in the field of Christian Education. In 1927, a step forward was made. All the educational activities of the annual conference were placed under the administration and promotion of a Board of Christian Education and an official called the Conference Director of Christian Education.

The following made up the personnel of the first Board of Christian Education of the Central Pennsylvania Conference: president, A. F. Weaver, D.D.; vice-president, John L. Pandel, A.M.; secretary, W. E. Peffley, D.D.; treasurer, J. H. Fleckenstine, B.D.; F. H. Sanders, N. L. Hummel, J. Boyd Trostle and F. L. Johnson; director of Christian Education, W. E. Peffley, D.D.

Members of present Board: Dr. A. F. Weaver, president; John L. Pandel, vice-president; J. H. Fleckenstine, B.D., secretary; J. W. Krecker, Th.M., treasurer; N. L. Hummel, G. C. Gabriel, Reed O. Steely, Paul J. Billet, W. F. Woods, W. F. Snelbaker, J. Boyd Trostle; director of Christian Education, J. H. Fleckenstine, B.D.

THE ALBRIGHT BROTHERHOOD

A group of laymen attending the ninety-first annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference met in a fellowship dinner in the Evangelical church at Carlisle, Pa., at noon, Saturday, March 7, 1931, for the purpose of taking some action toward the organization of a men's movement within the conference.

Mr. H. A. Lackey, who had kindly invited the laymen to come together in this meeting stated the purpose of the meeting and called upon J. L. Pandel, Burnham, vice-president of the Albright Brotherhood of the Evangelical Church, to outline briefly the plan and purpose of this movement.

H. W. Shaffer of Lock Haven was designated as temporary chairman of the meeting and also spoke briefly with regard to the formation of the laymen of the conference into a permanent organization. Following Mr. Shaffer's remarks it was properly moved and seconded that we organize the Albright Brotherhood of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church. When discussion on the proposition was invited, the brethren, B. B. Miller, Jersey Shore, John A. Bull, Baltimore, Fred H. Breining, Williamsport, J. L. Upton, Baltimore, and Rev. George E. Schnabel, spoke favorably and enthusiastically in favor of the formation of such an organization, and when the question was put to a vote, it was unanimously approved.

Following the decision to form the Conference Albright Brotherhood, these officers were elected to serve for the Conference Year 1931-32; president, H. W. Shaffer, Lock Haven; vice-president, H. A. Lackey, Carlisle; secretary, J. Boyd Trostle, Lemoyne; treasurer, Herman A. Ebert, Red Lion.

Besides the program of Bible study and devotions, evangelistic and missionary enterprises, the Conference Brotherhood a year ago promoted a successful campaign to purchase a School Bus for the Evangelical Home at Lewisburg. The work of the Conference Brotherhood is supported by District and Local organizations.

The present officers of the Conference Brotherhood are: President, W. F. Snelbaker; secretary, J. Boyd Trostle; treasurer, Paul J. Billet.

THE MINISTERS CHORUS OF THE CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE

(By C. CARROLL BAILEY)

"God sent his messengers to earth
With songs of sadness and of mirth,
That they might touch the hearts of men
And bring them back to heaven again."

The Christian message has found its way into many hearts through the medium of song. Throughout its century of history, the Central Pennsylvania Conference has emphasized the importance of inspiring devotional singing and has encouraged the development of choirs and choruses to assist in the proclamation of the Gospel.

For many years, the sessions of the annual conference have been enhanced by selections rendered by the Ministers' Chorus. The singing members of the conference were originally organized as the Conference Choir at the annual conference session held at York (Trinity) in 1895.

The choir was organized as follows: J. D. Shortess, president; M. I. Jamison, secretary; E. B. Bailey, director; I. E. Spangler, assistant director.

The following members of the conference served in the Conference Choir: First tenors: D. A. Artman, C. D. Moore, J. S. Austine, A. H. Ruby; second tenors: I. E. Spangler, C. H. Goodling, E. D. Keen, A. S. Baumgartner, Louis Shaffer; first bass: M. A. Kennelly, H. Minsker, J. Womeldorf, W. J. Campbell, E. B. Bailey; second bass: J. D. Shortess, M. I. Jamison, L. S. Reichard, W. H. Brown, C. E. Redeker.

At this writing, August, 1939, all but four of the above members have responded to the call to join the celestial choir.

At the conference session held in Lemoyne, Pa., March, 1935, a group of singing members agreed not only to sing at the annual conference sessions but also to give concerts during the year throughout the conference area. Many invitations were received and as a consequence thirty-two programs were presented in the various sections of the conference area during the first quadrennium of the history of this newly organized group.

In 1936, it was the privilege of the Ministers' Chorus to sing in Evangelical churches in Cleveland, Ohio, and Kendallville, Indiana. Throughout the Christian Education Convention held at Oakwood Park, Indiana, August 5-9, 1936, the chorus assisted in many of the musical programs. Upon their return from this convention they were invited to sing at the Rodeheaver School of Music, Winona Lake, Indiana, and were graciously entertained by Homer Rodeheaver and in the home of "Ma" Sunday. The Ministers' Chorus also presented a program at the recent session of the Evangelical General Conference held at Johnstown, Pa., October 12, 1938.

The following members of the conference have participated in public programs during the past four years: C. Carroll Bailey, Irwin C. Bailey, Jr., Irwin C. Bailey, Sr., William E. Basom, E. J. Bayne, Leroy Brininger, Harry M. Buck, A. Ward Campbell, Jerome F. Diehl, J. H. Fleckenstine, George W. Frey, Jr., G. C. Gabriel, Carl F. Gunther, B. F. Heiser, H. A. Houseal, Norman L. Hummel, T. R. Husler, H. Halbert Jacobs, H. A. Klingeman, Clair C. Kreidler, Charles C. Kyle, Clair Leber, L. P. Markley, Joseph H. Miller, Vernon E. Miller, W. E. Peffley, F. E. Remaly, George E. Schnabel, D. P. Smeltzer, W. N. Smeltzer, S. A. Snyder, Jr., S. A. Snyder, Sr.,



THE CONFERENCE CHORUS—1939

Left to right, top: A. W. Campbell, L. L. Stabler, F. E. Remaly, H. L. Brininger, G. W. Frey, Jr., B. F. Heiser; *third row:* A. F. Thomas, H. A. Houseal, C. E. Young, L. P. Markley, J. H. Fleckenstine, W. E. Peffley, A. F. Weaver; *second row:* J. H. Miller, J. F. Diehl, H. M. Buck, H. A. Klingeman, W. N. Smeltzer, C. C. Kreidler, D. P. Smeltzer, N. L. Hummel; *front:* S. A. Snyder, Jr., E. J. Bayne, H. H. Jacobs, S. A. Snyder, Sr., C. C. Bailey, (Director), G. C. Gabriel, I. C. Bailey, Jr., I. C. Bailey, Sr., L. E. Teter.



L. L. Stabler, L. E. Teter, Myron Teter, Alfred J. Thomas, A. F. Weaver, and Carl E. Young.

C. Carroll Bailey has served as director and Mrs. C. Wesley Eierman of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. C. Carroll Bailey, have served as accompanists.

The following members have served as president: N. L. Hummel, G. C. Gabriel, S. A. Snyder, Sr., and E. J. Bayne.

The service rendered through this fellowship of song brings inspiration and renewed vigor for the Christian enterprise, not only to those who participate as members of the chorus but also to the thousands of members and friends of the Evangelical Church who share as auditors.

CHAPTER XI

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS (York District)

ALBERTON CHARGE, MARYLAND

The record of Alberton charge dates back as far as the year 1872. C. H. Gramley was appointed the first missionary to Alberton, then known as Elysville charge. There was, however, no permanent organization effected until the year 1876 by H. N. Greninger, then pastor.

The services were first held in Eureka Hall, later in Library Hall and then in the new church built by the Gary Mfg. Co. From 1880 to 1893 there has been only one church in Alberton. In September, 1895, the James Gary Mfg. Co. announced their intention to erect an Episcopal church in Alberton. The walls of the first store-building were used in the main building and a tower and Sunday school were added. Services were held regularly under the direction of various ministers until the congregation became too small, and because of lack of interest the church was closed in the fall of 1916. The church opened again in October, 1918, when occupied by the United Evangelical church by the request of the Gary Mfg. Co.

The first class leader of our Evangelical church was John Sindall and Mrs. E. H. Cremm was assistant leader. From 1880 to 1939 our church has had a permanent organization at Alberton. The present membership of the congregation is 64. The Sunday-school enrollment is about 200. There are also a W. M. S. and a Y. P. M. C.

In the early history of Alberton there have been great revivals, and from the years 1876 to 1910 there were 1,200 conversions and accessions to the church. Edward Crumbling became the first pastor. Alberton was made a station in 1880.

The following pastors have served: P. W. Group, 1882-85; H. T. Searle, 1885-90; R. W. Runyan, 1890-91; H. H. Douty, 1891-94; S. P. Remer, 1894-98; Jacob Hartzler, 1898-1902; E. B. Bailey, 1902-05; Jacob Hartzler, 1905-08; L. E. Crumbling, 1908-12; J. O. Biggs, 1912-16; C. C. Mizener, 1916-19; C. D. Moore, 1919-22; J. Womeldorf, 1922-25; Kenneth Benfer, 1925-26; L. E. Teter, 1926-28; I. C. Bailey, 1928-32; J. H. Rosenberger, 1932-39.

Rockland Appointment

The pastor has been informed by the official board that the church had been dedicated in 1900 by Bishop Dubs, with C. E. Redeker, pastor. The church is located in the agricultural sections along the

concrete highway about two miles from Ellicott City, the county seat of Howard County. The Sunday-school enrollment is 100 and the average attendance about 60. Lester Long is the efficient superintendent.

Rockland had been attached to Hebbville from 1900-28 and was served by the following:

M. A. Kennelly, 1896-1900; C. E. Redeker, 1900-02; H. A. Stoke, 1903-05; J. H. Furner, 1905-09; D. A. Artman, 1909-10; W. K. Shultz, 1910-13; G. L. Maice, 1913-17; C. J. Dick, 1917-19; Ralph Smith, 1919-24; C. L. Reeser, 1924-27.

From 1928 Rockland was served from Alberton: I. C. Bailey, 1928-32; J. H. Rosenberger, 1932-39.

FAITH CHURCH, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

In 1883, W. M. Croman, pastor of Trinity church in Baltimore (now Walbrook Memorial church), organized a Sunday school of fifty-two members in Ditman's Hall, Forest and Monument Streets in Baltimore. Shortly thereafter a congregation was formed, and at the 1885 conference it was reported that Grace Mission, as it was called, had a membership of 115. In 1896 this charge became a station.

The following pastors have served this church: W. M. Croman, 1885; E. S. Bollinger, 1886-88; J. J. Lohr, 1888-89; A. S. Baumgardner, 1889-91; I. C. Yeakel, 1891-August, 1894; E. B. Bailey, August, 1894-97; L. S. Reichard, 1897-1901; W. B. Cox, 1901-02; M. A. Kennelly, 1902-06; D. F. Young, 1906-09; C. I. Raffensperger, 1909-13; C. W. Finkbinder, 1913-17; G. C. Gabriel, 1917-22; F. E. Remaly, 1922-26; Harry Minsker, 1926-29.

In 1910 a group of Christians met at the home of Mrs. Mary Cochran, Baltimore, and formed an independent church. This congregation was incorporated on June 13, 1910, as the Remington Independent Methodist church. A. S. Bishell was elected pastor and served until August, 1911, when he resigned. A local preacher of the Hampden M. P. church, Joseph F. Morris, was called to serve. At a congregational meeting held on February 26, 1914, the members unanimously voted to apply for admission to the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church. The new church was named Bethany church. J. F. Morris continued as pastor until 1915; Harry Minsker served until 1919; W. J. Dice from 1919-24; S. A. Snyder, 1924-29.

On February 3, 1929, Grace church and Bethany church united as Grace-Bethany Evangelical church. The building purchased by the merged congregation is located on Twenty-fifth Street near Calvert Street in Baltimore. A month after the merger, its name was changed to Faith Evangelical church. C. Carroll Bailey was appointed pastor in March, 1929, and served until 1939 when he was succeeded by

Vernon E. Miller. Faith church has a membership of 340. Its church school has an enrollment (including Cradle Roll and Home Department) of 289.

Two members of this church, Clark Ziegler and W. Nelson Winter, have entered the ministry. LeRoy Dudrow is serving as a missionary in India.

BALTIMORE (IMMANUEL)

In 1897 a group of Christian people of Brooklyn community in Baltimore desired to worship God in the manner which they felt would be well pleasing to him, and to them a spiritual uplift. A building program was at once launched and a church edifice erected. This building was dedicated to God for the purpose of public worship on Sunday, January 16, 1898.

This congregation worshiped as the Independent Methodist church for a number of years. However, they realized that their best work could be done for Christ and humanity if they would affiliate with some ecclesiastical body. So in 1908 they made application to the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church for membership and requested that our conference appoint a minister to take charge of the work. At the conference of 1908, M. T. Crouch, the grandfather of Mrs. George W. Speake, the wife of the present minister, was appointed to what was known as the Brooklyn Charge.

During the years the community grew, and it became necessary to consider ways of enlarging the church and more especially the Sunday-school quarters. Several years were spent by the pastor and officials endeavoring to work out some plan whereby a suitable building could be erected to meet the very pressing need. Finally in 1926 it was possible, because of the financial assistance rendered by the Church Extension Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, to begin a building program. The old building which had been used for worship for the past twenty-eight years was moved to the rear of this lot and the present church and Sunday-school building was erected.

The following are the names of the various ministers who have served this congregation since becoming a member of conference: M. T. Crouch, 1908-09; G. L. Maice, 1909-13; J. H. Furner, 1913-18; A. M. Jenkins, 1918-19; C. J. Dick, 1919-20; W. C. Sipe, 1920-23; G. W. Speake, 1923-32; E. S. Hill, 1932-33; J. R. Dunlap, 1933-36; G. W. Speake, 1936-39.

BALTIMORE (OLIVE BRANCH)

This congregation was organized in 1889, D. M. Metzger, pastor. The property, a one-story brick building, was formerly owned by an Independent Methodist congregation which united with and became

part of the Evangelical church. At the union of the Independent congregation and the Evangelical Mission, Bishop H. B. Hartzler dedicated the church. A Sunday school has been conducted continuously. The enrollment was small. This church, in 1898, was made a station.

The following pastors served: D. M. Metzger, 1888-93; L. S. Reichard, 1893-97; E. B. Bailey, 1897-1901; C. W. Finkbinder, 1901-03; I. E. Spangler, 1903-07; E. E. Shaffer, 1907-10; J. W. Thompson from the summer of 1910 until the spring of 1911, due to the death of E. E. Shaffer; Harry Minsker, 1911-15; W. C. Hoch, 1915-16; J. F. Hower, 1916-21; A. M. Jenkins, 1921-26; H. D. Hill, 1926-33; S. A. Snyder, Sr., 1933-39.

During the pastorate of I. E. Spangler the old church was demolished and a new two-story stone structure was erected and was dedicated by Bishop R. Dubs, February 19, 1905.

The church membership is 270; the Sunday-school enrollment, 351.

Three have responded to the call to the ministry: M. T. Crouch, J. O. Biggs and G. W. Speake.

Mrs. C. Newton Kidd, the president of the Women's Missionary Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference is a member of this congregation.

BALTIMORE (ST. JOHN)

In August, 1923, a group of spiritually-minded people under the direction of H. R. Wilkes and Miss Bessie Ihre organized a Sunday school of 55 children and adults at the home of Miss Esther Shortess in the Northwest (Pimlico) section of Baltimore, Maryland. The rapidly growing community prompted the purchase of a lot on Glen Avenue and in February, 1924, the present frame structure was moved from South Baltimore to its present location. Under the pastorate of Rev. Wilkes and with the direction of J. W. Thompson, York District Superintendent, the 32 charter members dedicated the church on March 2, 1924. The services were in English.

Rev. Wilkes led the congregation until 1928, at which time M. A. Teter succeeded him and served the charge until 1931. J. H. Miller was appointed at that time, and under his leadership, the basement was altered to accommodate the rapidly-growing Sunday school. The present pastor, Harry DeWire, was appointed in 1936. The charge has maintained its status of a mission in the York district, at the present time having a membership of 91, and 155 enrolled in the church school.

BALTIMORE (ST. MATTHEW)

With the aid of the Church Extension Society of the conference a small mission church was opened for public worship on the corner of Monument and Bouldin Streets in the city of Baltimore, Maryland,

October 29, 1922, under the leadership of W. Nelson Winter. Seven men and nine women became the charter members of St. Matthew church, February 11, 1923. By 1926 the number of members had been increased to 46. In that year M. R. Wilkes succeeded W. N. Winter as pastor. The organizations of the church then included a Sunday school of 177, a Ladies' Aid Society, and two Leagues of Christian Endeavor. To these a Boy Scout organization and a Men's Club were added under M. R. Wilkes. Constant improvements were being made upon the building and grounds. The climax of this improvement program came in 1933 under the pastorate of Vernon E. Miller (1930-1939). A complete remodeling job was done, with the men of the church contributing \$5,000 worth of labor. The church was greatly strengthened spiritually as its organization became stabilized. William F. Woods was appointed pastor at the 1939 conference. There are at present 119 members and 166 Sunday-school pupils.

BALTIMORE (TRINITY)

Trinity Evangelical church of Baltimore on Elmora Avenue is the relocated Christ church of Rutland Avenue begun by A. D. Gramley in 1912. The building was a small concrete one, the inside was of the semi-circular seating arrangement. In this room all work of the church was done. In 1924 it seemed wise to the officials of Christ church to relocate; the present site of Trinity church was chosen, with the approval of the Council of Churches. No authentic records are available of the Christ church. At present there are 246 members in our Trinity church. Rev. Carl Gunther at Dushore, Pa., and Rev. Walter Kuhne of Newark, N. Y., are sons of the church who have gone forth to full-time service for the Master. The church plans to reduce its indebtedness \$1,000 each year for three years, which will make Trinity debt free. Trinity can then plan a course of action for her future.

The shepherds of Trinity who have guided her are: Dr. Kenneth Benfer, 1924-25; I. E. D. Stover, 1925-27; Paul A. Werner, 1927-31; Dr. Alfred J. Thomas, 1931-39.

BALTIMORE (WALBROOK MEMORIAL)

In 1870 the Central Pennsylvania Conference sent J. M. Ettinger to Baltimore to start an English mission. A few months after his arrival, he, with members of Green Street church (German), rented a hall on the northwest corner of Green and Lexington Streets where he started a Sunday school with about fifteen members. Miss Susan Schade, a present member of Memorial, was a member of this first Sunday school.

The following year Rev. Frost, pastor of what was known as St. John's congregation which worshiped at China Hall on Baltimore Street, was called to a distant field, leaving the charge without a pastor. J. M. Ettinger was introduced to this congregation and preached for them a number of times when an arrangement was perfected by which we came into possession of their church property. The first permanent organization of the Sunday school now took place in March, 1871.

This organized school numbered 96 scholars and the church attendance was so large that not even standing room could be provided. A committee on church location was appointed to provide a suitable structure for the enlarged congregation. A brick structure known as Trinity Chapel was built on the corner of Freemont and Clark Streets in 1873.

In 1886 a building committee was appointed to replace the now inadequate brick structure. A beautiful green stone church was built on the corner of Edmonson Avenue and Freemont Street. (This structure is now used by a Negro congregation.) The name of the church was changed to "Memorial."

By 1926 the community of Memorial church was largely occupied by Negro families and the church membership was dispersing rapidly to various sections of the city. Again a building committee was appointed and the present location on the corner of Gwynns Falls Parkway and Longwood Street was selected. The new community was one of the finest residential sections of the city and gave promise of growth. A church school unit, English-Gothic in design, and a parsonage were built in 1927. The structure was built of local stone. The name of the church was changed to the Walbrook Memorial Evangelical church; the name "Memorial" being retained and "Walbrook" added to designate the section of the city.

Depression days followed and little building was done in the community. The church membership dropped from 243 in 1926 to 103 in 1936. Depression and the small membership made it impossible to keep the property in repair.

In 1936 building operations were resumed in the community with the construction of sixteen new homes on Longwood Street in the two blocks just adjacent to the church. During the fall of 1936 the church property was completely repaired and the church school unit was renovated with a worshipful sanctuary arranged to seat 180 on the main floor, a church school room for 125 on the ground floor, and Kindergarten, Primary and Junior departments in the balcony. A loyal little group of less than 75 members responded in a magnificent way to provide the cost of this improvement amounting to \$4,650.00.

During the past three years over 100 new families have moved into the immediate community and many have come under the influence of Memorial church which seeks to build up the community out of its Christian life. During this period the church has witnessed a very gradual but persistent growth in church membership and particularly in church attendance.

Memorial church has given four sons to the Evangelical ministry: W. N. Sanner, Jacob Waltz, H. R. Wilkes and Vernon E. Miller. J. S. Anstine, a prominent layman, has been elected delegate to General Conference on five occasions.

The following ministers served the congregation: J. M. Ettinger, 1870-72; Benjamin Hengst, 1873-74; G. E. Zehner, 1875; J. Archer, 1876-77; Benjamin Hengst, 1878-81; A. H. Irvine, 1882-83; W. M. Croman, 1884-85; G. H. Schleh, 1886; U. F. Swengel, 1887-90; R. W. Runyan, 1891-92; S. P. Remer, 1893; U. F. Swengel, 1894-97; M. I. Jamison, 1898-1901; J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1902-05; M. I. Jamison, 1906; I. E. Spangler, 1907; J. T. Pettit, 1908-10; E. B. Bailey, 1911-13; H. A. Benfer, 1914-19; J. T. Pettit, 1920; E. B. Dunn, 1921-23; R. S. Starr, 1924-27; R. H. Dick, 1928-32; E. Fulcomer, 1933-35; Carl E. Young, 1936-39.

BERKELEY SPRINGS, W. VA.

While pastor of Morgan circuit, J. H. Welch in 1906 purchased the old United Brethren church building for \$80; pews and bell for \$30. This building was dismantled and moved to a lot purchased by J. H. Welch—it was rebuilt largely through the personal labors of the pastor, with very little donated help, at a cost of \$600, and dedicated by Dr. A. E. Gobble on December 23, 1906. The membership consisted of four besides the pastor and his family, or nine members in all. The present building was built under the pastorate of C. H. Loyer on September 23, 1924. The Sunday-school enrollment is 150; the church membership, 128.

The pastors who served this charge are: J. H. Welch, 1905-08; C. S. Messner, 1908-11; A. S. Baumgardner, 1911-15; C. H. Loyer, 1915-20; W. L. Kamble, 1920-21; L. P. Markley, 1921-22; D. W. Stock, 1922-23; C. H. Loyer, 1923-24; E. B. Dunn, 1924-31; W. L. Baughman, 1931-36; I. C. Fuhrman, 1936-39.

BEVERLEY HILLS, VA.

Religious frontiers today are in the large urban areas of our nation. Beverley Hills church is the answer of the Central Pennsylvania Conference to the challenge of these ever expanding frontiers.

The vision of new tasks and new opportunities was first caught in the mind of G. E. Schnabel, pastor of the Albright Memorial church, Washington, D. C. Some years later his dreams and hopes began to take form in the meetings of the Church Extension Society.

Finally these plans came to full fruition in the actual construction of the first unit of a beautiful Georgian Colonial structure, located in one of the most rapidly growing suburban areas of metropolitan Washington.

This new structure now stands as a monument to those men who were true to the vision of wider fields of service for our conference. It is likewise a fitting one hundredth milestone in the history of the conference, for it marks the entrance of this conference into the State of Virginia, and at the same time stands for a new and progressive program of church extension—a program having its basis in the plan of placing debt-free churches in expanding communities, in order that the peoples of those new communities may develop together a growing Christian life, unhampered in its infancy by the burdens of financial pressure.

The work of Beverley Hills church was begun under the supervision of the York District Superintendent, Dr. A. F. Weaver, and G. E. Schnabel, with W. E. Basom as the first pastor. Bishop J. S. Stamm dedicated the structure in the month of October, 1938. By Easter of the following year eighty charter members, representing fourteen denominations, had been received. Since then the church has moved forward to complete its basic organization, and to plan a progressive program designed to meet the manifold needs of a new community.

BRYANSVILLE

The Bryansville Evangelical charge is at present comprised of the Bryansville and Woodbine churches in southern York County, and the Tabernacle and Good Will churches of Harford County, Maryland. The present membership of the four congregations aggregates 173 members.

The appointment was originally identified as the Chanceford charge. The five churches then a part of the charge were Bryansville, Union Chapel, Trinity Chapel, Shenbergers, and Pleasant Hill.

The pastor's first residence (1889) was a rented house in Collinsville. Parsonages were rented until the parsonage was built during the pastorate of I. C. Bailey.

The Sunday schools of Bryansville and Union Chapel were organized April 15, 1888. The Trinity Chapel Sunday school was organized April 25, 1888. The schools had a total membership of 300 pupils.

The church membership in the year 1888 was 196; and in the following year it increased to 204 members. The estimated value of the property at the same time was \$5,000.00. In January, 1890, and during the winter months of many subsequent years the Sunday schools were reported closed.

In 1893 the quarterly conference requested that the annual conference detach Bryansville, Union Chapel, Tabernacle, and Pleasant Hill from the Chanceford Circuit. The separated churches became the Bryansville Charge.

Eighteen hundred ninety-one was the year of a mighty revival wherein 172 conversions were reported and 146 new members received into the fellowship.

An appointment was temporarily taken at Buskleyville, Md., by the pastor in 1897.

Tabernacle Sunday school was organized in 1899 with 58 members.

The Pleasant Hill appointment was temporarily discontinued by action of the first quarterly conference of 1891. The church was definitely closed by the conference of May 13, 1899.

During the same year land and funds were donated for a church and parsonage at Woodbine, Pa. A \$2,500 edifice was built. The Woodbine congregation was first represented in the quarterly conference February 3, 1906.

On September 23, 1913, the building of a parsonage was authorized by the quarterly conference. The same was completed 1904.

The entire Bryansville charge was free of debt, and every property was adequately insured in 1925.

The Good Will congregation (formerly of the Harford Circuit, and the congregation by which E. J. Bayne was recommended for license to preach) was attached to the Bryansville appointment by the annual conference of 1928.

Those who have served are: J. D. Shortess, 1888-90; E. B. Bailey, 1890-92; C. H. Goodling, 1892-93; I. N. Bair, 1893-96; W. E. Brillhart, 1896-99; M. T. Crouch, 1899-1902; S. A. Snyder, 1902-05; H. S. Stoke, 1905-08; D. P. Schaeffer, 1908-10; L. A. Fuhrman, 1910-11; A. W. Schenberger, 1911-12; I. C. Bailey, 1912-16; E. G. Woolery, 1916-18; E. J. Bayne, 1918-22; L. E. Teter, 1922-23; G. W. Frey, Sr., 1923-26; L. P. Markley, 1926-30; C. C. Kreidler, 1930-34; R. A. Babcock, 1934-37; G. W. Frey, Jr., 1937-39; C. L. Leber, 1939.

CEARFOSS, MD.

The Cearfoss Charge, formerly known as the Hagerstown Circuit, is located in Washington County, Maryland, west of Hagerstown. It is one of the oldest charges in our denomination, having been started by Jacob Albright in a barn near Mason and Dixon, Pa., about 1880. No records are available of the work until 1885. At this time there were three preaching places and a total membership of 181. The charge has endeavored to enlarge her work, but met with little success.

A list of appointments, when started and results, are as follows: Mt. Zion (parent appointment); Mt. Carmel, 1885; Jones Chapel,

discontinued in 1899; Indian Springs, 1892, discontinued in 1900; Parkhead, 1894; Maugansville, 1897 (discontinued in 1900); Hagerstown, 1897, separate charge; Pinesburg, 1898, discontinued in 1902; Mooresville, 1927, discontinued in 1929; Coseytown, 1898, discontinued in 1899; Midway, 1900, discontinued in 1902; Big Pool (St. Paul's), 1903; Hopewell, 1916, discontinued in 1934; Hancock, transferred to charge in 1927, discontinued in 1931.

Four men were recommended by this charge to the ministry: D. P. Schaefer, G. C. Gabriel, C. B. Shank and Melvin Shank. Present church membership, 241; Sunday-school enrollment, 335.

The following pastors served: S. E. Davis, —1869; H. H. Ream, 1871-72; J. W. Clair, 1873-74; W. N. Wallis, 1875-76; B. F. Anthony, 1877-79; J. M. Longsdorf, 1880-81; G. Josephs, 1882-84; C. F. Gephart, 1885-87; J. H. Welch, 1888; J. L. Miller, 1889-90; J. W. Clair, 1890; C. F. Garrett, 1891-93; A. S. Baumgardner, 1894-96; E. L. Kessler, 1897-99; L. K. Harris, 1900-01; C. I. Raffensperger, 1902-03; C. W. Hipple, 1904-05; W. K. Shultz, 1906; L. A. Miller, 1907-11; H. A. Snook, 1912-15; W. L. Kamble, 1916-19; D. P. Smeltzer, 1920-21; S. S. Miller, 1922-25; J. P. Sheesley, 1926-27; L. E. Teter, 1928-29; R. A. Babcock, 1930-33; I. C. Fuhrman, 1934-35; L. W. Bartges, 1936-37; G. L. Miller, 1938-39.

CRALEY

Craley Circuit was organized in 1893 by detaching the following appointments from the East Prospect Circuit: St. Paul's, Salem, Ebenezer, Shenberger's Chapel and Trinity (South), now Felton. In 1906 a church was built at Bittersville and added to Craley. The following appointments constitute the charge as of date of 1939: Craley, Ebenezer, Salem, Trinity (North) and Shenberger's Chapel.

The present church buildings were erected in the years as follows: Ebenezer, 1868; Trinity (North), 1869; Salem, 1880; Shenberger's Chapel, 1889; St. Paul's, 1891.

The church membership is as follows: St. Paul's, 69; Ebenezer, 83; Salem, 57; Shenberger's Chapel, 88; Trinity (North), 41. The Sunday-school enrollments: St. Paul's, 181; Ebenezer, 189; Salem, 148; Shenberger's Chapel, 140; Trinity (North), 74.

The following ministers have served as pastors from 1893 to 1939; F. F. Mayer, E. Fulcomer, B. F. Keller, C. W. Hipple, D. P. Shaeffer, H. A. Stoke, M. W. Stahl, W. H. Warburton, J. F. Rohrbaugh, E. J. Bayne, J. M. Gray, I. C. Fuhrman, C. C. Kreidler and J. F. Dauberman.

DORSEY, MD.

We find the first reference to the work in the vicinity of Dorsey, Howard County, Md., in a letter dated January 21, 1851, written by Rev. Daniel Berger to the editor of the *Christliche Botschafter*. Daniel Berger was then pastor of the Old Green Street church, Baltimore, Md. He says that he preached on the Washington Road

which later was known as Dorsey, Md. The church was a frame building and known as Elkrige Landing. A Sunday school and class were organized and the preaching was in German. The first quarterly conference minutes in English were written by J. C. Farnsworth, August 1, 1885.

Rev. E. Crumbling is the oldest living minister. He was junior preacher under H. J. Grenninger. In 1878 this class was served with White Ground (now Hebbville). In 1881 White Ground became a station and Landing church (now Dorsey) was detached and listed as Howard Charge, C. W. Finkbinder, pastor.

In 1884 the Howard Charge (now Dorsey) was consolidated with White Ground Station, known as White Ground Circuit. In 1891 Hebbville was made a station again, then the Landing church and Sparrows Point constituted a circuit under the supervision of Grace, Baltimore, to be supplied. M. T. Crouch was the pastor.

Landing church, known as Zion church, was destroyed by fire. On January 8, 1892, the members of Zion or Landing church met and decided to build a new church on the lot given by the Lenox Park Co. on Dorsey Road, Dorsey, Howard County, Maryland. In 1893 Dorsey was listed as a separate appointment for the first time, M. T. Crouch, pastor, Emanuel Evangelical church, Dorsey, Md. Dorsey Charge remained a separate appointment until 1913; from 1913-15, with Brooklyn under J. H. Furner. In 1915 it was made a mission. The present membership is 154; Sunday-school enrollment, 200.

Roll of ministers: same as Hebbville (Baltimore Circuit), 1851-81; C. W. Finkbinder, 1881-83; M. J. Snyder, 1883-84; same as Hebbville, 1884-92; M. T. Crouch, 1892-97; N. J. Dubs, 1897-99; J. I. Craul, 1899-1901; J. H. Ryder, 1901-05; A. C. Price and W. E. Smith, 1905-06; J. W. Bentz, 1906-09; G. E. Albright, 1909-10; J. Hartzler, 1910-11; B. K. Mowerer, 1911-12; L. M. Yost and W. K. Shultz, 1912-13; J. H. Furner, with Brooklyn, 1913-15; J. F. Morris, 1915-24; J. M. Gray, 1924-27; W. L. Baughman, 1927-31; Ralph Smith, 1931-39.

EAST PROSPECT

The East Prospect Evangelical church was born out of two great revivals, held in the summers of 1831 and 1832. The charge was then known as Zion, and the preachers in charge were W. W. Orwig, D. Brickly and J. Borkert. Previous to 1831 it was called Canaan.

John A. Jacobe, a convert of the revival of 1832, contributed the land on which the present building stands, and also assisted greatly in building the first church which was dedicated in 1834. The church was rebuilt in 1882 under the leadership of the pastor, G. H. Schleh, at a cost of \$3,500. During the pastorate of A. D. Gramley the present building was remodeled and a new Sunday-school room added

in 1910. The East Prospect Charge was served by a senior and a junior preacher until the year 1883.

The church entertained the thirteenth annual West Pennsylvania conference session of March, 1852, with Bishop Long presiding. At this conference York and York station became a part of Baltimore district. In the year 1894 the 55th annual conference of Central Pennsylvania Conference convened in Zion church with Bishop Haman as chairman.

The church was made a station at the conference session of 1912 at Lock Haven. The church entertained the conference again in 1917 with Bishop U. F. Swengel presiding.

The church has had a remarkable growth in its one hundred and five years, under 80 different pastors, who have served from 1834 to 1939.

The church is possibly one of the four oldest churches in the denomination. Its history dates back beyond the conference to which it belongs.

Rev. E. Crumbling received his recommendation from this church.

Following is the list of pastors: J. Schnerr and M. F. Maize, 1834; F. Hoffman and H. Fisher, 1835; G. Brickley, 1836; J. Sensel and H. Westhafer, 1837; J. Sensel and J. Rosenberger, 1838; H. Fisher and J. Rosenberger, 1839; John A. Jacobs and J. Kauffman, 1840; A. Ettinger and M. Lehr, 1841; H. Thomas and J. Edgar, 1842; H. Thomas and P. Heiss, 1843; George Schaffer and M. McLehn, 1844; George Schaffer and J. C. Link, 1845; George Brickley and E. Stambach, 1846; E. Stambach and D. Kreamer, 1847; H. Roland and D. Kreamer, 1848; George Weireck, 1849; Charles Hammer and S. Wolf, 1850; Charles Hammer and G. W. F. Young, 1851; J. Kreamer and A. Krause, 1852-53; George Dellinger and G. W. F. Young, 1854; E. Kohr and George Dellinger, 1855; J. Kreamer, 1856; G. W. F. Young, 1857; L. May and J. Zimmerman, 1858; L. May and A. Rarick, 1859; E. Stambach and S. D. Broadbeck, 1860; E. Stambach and Z. Hornberger, 1861; H. R. Price and C. W. Davis, 1862; H. R. Price and A. Ettinger, 1863; H. Althouse and P. H. Rishel, 1864; H. Althouse and F. C. Hoffman, 1865; A. Krause and M. Zulouf, 1866-67; M. Walters and J. W. Bentz, 1868; M. Walters and H. H. Ream, 1869; A. Krause and H. H. Ream, 1870; P. H. Rishel and N. Young, 1871; P. H. Rishel and A. W. Bowers, 1872; P. H. Rishel and L. K. Harris, 1873; G. W. Currin, 1874; H. C. Berger and G. W. Currin, 1875; G. W. Currin and P. C. Weidemyer, 1876; R. J. Derrick and H. C. Berger, 1877; J. Derrick and H. C. Berger, 1878; J. M. Ettinger and H. A. Stoke, 1879; H. A. Stoke and J. Shambach, 1880; J. Shambach and J. R. Sechrist, 1881; H. W. Gross and C. H. Goodling, 1882; G. H. Schleh and C. H. Goodling, 1883; G. H. Schleh, 1884; P. F. Jarrett, 1885-87; I. C. Yeakel and E. S. Bollinger, 1888; I. C. Yeakel, 1889; George Joseph, 1890-93; H. H. Douty, 1894; H. S. Basom, 1895-97; G. E. Zehner, 1898; W. C. Hoch, 1899-1901; E. D. Keen, 1902-03; W. H. Brown, 1904-07; A. D. Gramley, 1908-11; L. E. Crumbling, 1912-13; C. F. Garrett, 1914; George S. Albright, 1915-17; J. W. Waltz, 1918; J. F. D. Bowersox, 1919-20; J. O. Biggs, 1921; I. C. Shearer, 1922; H. M. Buck, 1923-27; H. P. Maneval, 1928-29; I. E. Spangler, 1930-31; C. D. Pewterbaugh, 1932-39.

FELTON

Felton is located in York County about three miles south of Red Lion. The first Evangelical church was built in 1871, known as the Trinity church and was located in Chanceford Township about one and one-half miles northeast of Felton. In 1895 this property was deeded to the Methodist church and in 1908 was again deeded to the United Evangelical church.

In 1898, Yoe, Bethlehem and Winterstown were taken from Red Lion Circuit and Felton from Craleyville Circuit and constituted a charge called Felton Circuit, F. H. Foss, pastor. In 1899-1900 a new church was built at Winterstown at a cost of about \$3,000, and dedicated by Bishop W. M. Stanford. Freysville was detached from Red Lion and added to Felton Circuit in 1901. At the conference of 1902 Yoe, Freysville and Windsorville were taken from Felton Circuit, leaving Felton, Winterstown and Bethlehem to constitute Felton Circuit. In 1913 a fine new church in the village of Springvale was dedicated by Bishop Swengel. These four churches compose the Felton Charge today.

Charles C. Kyle, who is now serving as pastor of our Queens Evangelical church, Queens Village, New York, in the Atlantic Conference, was a member of Springvale church.

The membership of these four churches is 579, with a Sunday-school enrollment of over 700. The past year these churches raised over \$1,600 for missions and benevolence.

Pastors who served this charge are: F. H. Foss, 1898-1901; E. Fulcomer, 1901-02; W. C. Hoch, 1902-05; G. L. Mace, 1905-09; J. H. Furner, 1909-13; A. M. Jenkins, 1913-18; H. C. Guthrie, 1918-22; J. F. Rohrbaugh, 1922-29; I. K. Baker, 1929-36; H. S. Entz, 1936-39.

GLEN ROCK

The Glen Rock Charge, comprising three appointments, Immanuel church of Glen Rock, St. Paul church of Seven Valleys, and St. John near Hanover, is located in York County. The charge has always been on the York District of the conference.

Glen Rock is the oldest and the largest of the three appointments. In 1842, Moses Bower, then serving the Gettysburg Church, preached in a brick schoolhouse in Glen Rock. He was succeeded by J. Boas, E. Kohr, Lew Hemelshein, D. Dellinger, to 1848 when Uriah Eberhart was appointed to the charge and effected an organization. Henry Seitz was the first class leader. The Sunday school was organized the same year with David Herbst, Sr., as the first superintendent. The services were conducted mostly in German. At the session of the conference in 1849, Glen Rock was attached to the Shrewsbury

Circuit. In this year under the pastorate of J. W. L. Seibert, the first church was erected, a brick structure located on Church Street. In 1867 Glen Rock was made a mission with J. Hartzler as pastor. In 1870 the old church building was sold and another erected on New Street at a cost of \$9,000.

In 1885 a Sunday school was organized at Seven Valleys and in 1896 a church was built at a cost of \$1,710. W. B. Cox was the first pastor. At the conference session of 1898, Glen Rock and Seven Valleys became a station. In 1926 a new edifice was built at Glen Rock at a cost of \$40,000. The present indebtedness is \$6,400.

At the conference session of 1939 the St. John Appointment of the Hanover Mission was attached to the Glen Rock Charge. In 1903, J. M. Price, pastor of the Hanover Mission, held successful revival meetings in Runk's schoolhouse and later in the home of Charles Rohrbaugh. In 1904 a church was built, and was made an appointment of the Hanover Circuit. Later on it became an appointment of the Hanover Mission.

The work on this Glen Rock Charge from the beginning was marked by revival successes. Some of the largest were those of 1888 with 50 conversions; 1889 with 52; 1896 with 90; 1904 with 62.

The following pastors served: J. Hartzler, 1867-70; S. P. Remer, 1871; P. W. Raidabaugh, 1872-74; J. Archer, 1875; H. W. Buck, 1876-78; P. W. Group, 1879-81; E. Crumbling, 1882-84; J. A. Irvine, 1885-87; A. S. Baumgardner, 1888; J. J. Lohr, 1889-91; G. W. Currin, 1892-94; W. B. Cox, 1895-96; W. H. Lilley, 1897-98; C. W. Finkbinder, 1899-1900; L. S. Reichard, 1901-04; W. J. Campbell, 1905-08; E. B. Dunn, 1909-12; J. H. Ryder, 1913-15; W. C. Hoch, 1916-18; M. W. Stahl, 1919-25; J. F. Hower, 1926-31; R. H. Dick, 1932-38; J. F. Diehl, 1939.

HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

Jacob Albright visited Virginia and Maryland as early as 1796. The 1839 General Conference mentioned Washington County, of which Hagerstown is the county seat, as part of the West, now Central Pennsylvania Conference, but Hagerstown was not entered until 1884 by J. C. Reeser. The first two members were Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Dunkle, of old Evangelical stock from Buffalo Valley, Union County, Pa. Services were held in a hall and at the end of the year there were forty members and one hundred and twenty-five in the Sunday school. The present church edifice, brick, was erected in 1885, and the parsonage, brick, in 1889. The church building was nearly destroyed in a terrific hailstorm in 1917 during the pastorate of L. M. Dice. The church was rebuilt and given its present architectural form. In 1902 the church was equipped with a Moller pipe organ. The membership reported March, 1939, is 289.

The following have served pastorates: J. C. Reeser, G. E. Zehner, A. Stapleton, J. W. Bentz, M. J. Carothers, H. W. Gross, H. A. Stoke, A. H. Irvine, W. H. Lilley, M. I. Jamison, E. C. Basom, L. M. Dice, J. H. Ryder, J. O. Biggs, R. S. Daubert, W. J. Dice. J. C. Reeser and A. H. Irvine served two pastorates on this charge.

HANOVER

At the conference session March, 1901, Rev. J. H. Furner, who was then pastor of Hanover Circuit, was authorized to organize a class in the town of Hanover. He held the first worship services in the parsonage, then located on York Street, preaching in English. In August, a class was organized with seven charter members. Several months later a lot was purchased on Spring Avenue and Locust Street and the work of construction began at once. The building was dedicated, 1902.

The new work made fine progress the first year and at the conference session of 1902 it was decided to detach Hanover from Hanover Circuit and constitute it a separate mission.

The annual conference of 1928 discontinued Hanover Circuit and through change of boundaries Pleasant Hill, Porters and Blooming Grove congregations were merged with Hanover. The remaining appointment of the old circuit, St. John's, was added to New Freedom Charge. The merger greatly strengthened Hanover Mission and enabled the congregation to petition conference in 1932 to be made a station. The request was granted.

The present membership is 286. The church school enrollment is 475.

The following pastors have served: J. H. Furner, 1901-05; W. E. Detwiler, 1905-09; S. P. Remer, 1909-11; A. H. Irvine, 1911-15; J. W. Messinger, 1915-16 (died during year); H. A. Snook, 1917-20; J. C. Reeser, 1920-22; G. L. Maice, 1922-27; E. J. Bayne, 1927-33; J. B. Mays, 1933-34; A. C. Ruth, 1935-39; R. H. Dick, 1939.

HEBBVILLE, MARYLAND

Religious services were first held at White Ground (Hebbville) in the old log schoolhouse on Windsor Mill Road. The first reference to the work at White Ground is in a letter written by D. Berger of the pioneer Green Street church to *Der Botschafter* on January 21, 1851. On Pentecost Sunday of that year the first church was dedicated on the site of the present church.

The charge was first called Baltimore Circuit and consisted of three preaching places: The Landing (Dorsey), Elysville (Alborton), and White Ground (Hebbville). Later Hebbville and Rockland (Howard County) constituted the charge. In 1928, Rockland was detached from the charge and Hebbville became a separate station.

In 1886 the second church was built and dedicated in November of that year. To provide for the expanding Sunday school in 1916 an annex was built to the church as a memorial to Henry N. Greninger who was pastor for three terms.

In July, 1927, the old parsonage was moved from its site and the erection of a new parsonage was begun. In November of that year it was ready for use. The approximate cost was \$8,000 which was entirely provided for within three years after its completion.

The present beautiful and finely equipped church was dedicated on September 9, 1934. The cost was approximately \$16,500. There remains at present approximately \$4,400 indebtedness.

The present membership of the charge is 196, and the present Sunday-school enrollment is 227.

Roll of ministers: D. Berger and L. Eberhart, 1851; H. R. Price, 1854; Noah Deabler, 1857-58; J. Zimmerman, 1859; Jacob Henn, 1860-61; Moses Walter, 1862-63; Adam Ettinger, 1864-65; Henry Althouse, 1866-67; F. Methfessel, 1868-69; J. C. Farnsworth, 1869; C. H. Gramley, 1870-71; D. P. Rumberger, 1871; D. W. Miller and H. S. Bowers, 1872; Noah Young, 1873-75; H. N. Greninger, 1876-78; H. S. Basom, 1877; E. Crumbling, 1878-79; T. M. Morris, 1879-82; S. Yearick, 1882-85; H. N. Greninger, 1885-88; C. H. Goodling, 1888-89; J. B. Fox, 1889-92; W. W. Rhoads, 1892-94; B. F. Keller, 1894-96; M. A. Kennelly, 1896-1900; C. E. Redeker, 1900-02; H. N. Greninger, 1902-03; H. A. Stoke, 1903-05; J. A. Furner, 1905-09; D. A. Artman, 1909-10; W. K. Shultz, 1910-13; G. L. Maice, 1913-17; C. J. Dick, 1917-19; Ralph Smith, 1919-24; E. G. Woolery, 1924-27; G. L. Reeser, 1927-30; L. A. Fuhrman, 1930-31; E. B. Dunn, 1931-32; W. H. Kelly, 1932-38; Ben F. Heiser, 1938-39.

HELLAM

Hellam Evangelical Charge is composed of three churches: St. Paul's, Hellam; Fairmount, Highmount, Hellam Township; Freysville, Freysville, Windsor Township.

Evangelical preaching began at Fairmount by Rev. Schaeffer, a local preacher, about 1860; in Freysville by Jacob Frey, a layman, in 1808; in Hellam by L. E. Crumbling, March 1, 1901.

At Fairmount there were two churches composed of wood; the first one was built before 1860 and the second in 1882. The first parsonage was built by C. I. Raffensperger and the second by S. E. Snyder in 1918. At Freysville the first building was a frame structure and was a union church; the second was brick and dedicated by the Evangelical Association. At Hellam the first church was a small brick building and the second was brick, built in 1902 and dedicated by the United Evangelical Church. The Sunday-school unit was built in 1925 and dedicated by the Evangelical Church.

Fairmount Sunday school was organized about 1860; Freysville in 1810; Hellam in 1901 by L. E. Crumbling.

Fairmount was a part of the original York Circuit composed of seven appointments. In 1920 it was reduced to three: St. Paul's, Hellam; Stonybrook, Greenhill; in 1930 it was arranged as it is today: Fairmount, Freysville and Hellam.

Freysville was a part of Franklin Circuit, 1808-11; York Circuit, 1812-85; Red Lion Circuit, 1885-98; Freysville and Red Lion Station, 1898-1902, part of Felton Charge, 1902; part of Yoe Charge, 1902-08; part of Dallastown, 1909-10; part of Yoe Mission, 1910-30; part of Hellam Charge, 1930-39.

St. Paul's, Hellam. At the annual conference held at Red Lion, Pa., 1901, York Circuit was divided and Fairmount, Greenhill, Stonybrook and Hellam were made a charge, and L. E. Crumbling was appointed the first pastor.

Pastors of the charge: St. Paul's (Hellam), L. E. Crumbling, 1901-05; C. I. Raffensperger, 1905-09; B. L. Moore, 1908-10; S. A. Snyder, 1918-24; J. H. Ricker, 1925; J. M. Price, 1925-27; C. W. Hipple, 1927-33; J. F. Rohrbach, 1933-38; D. Philip Smeltzer, 1938-39.

Fairmount; the following are the names without dates which could not be secured: S. Aurand, A. H. Irvine, J. W. Bentz, H. H. Douty, I. C. Yeakel, H. N. Grenninger, A. S. Baumgardner, C. W. Finkbinder, E. B. Bailey, C. H. Goodling, L. E. Crumling, B. F. Keller, Noah Young. The remaining are given in the list of St. Paul's.

Freysville; Jacob Frey, Mathew Bentz and John Erb, 1809-10; John Dreisbaugh, 1808; H. Niebel, M. Becker, 1811; M. Bentz and M. Becker, 1812; L. Zimmerman and Fred Shover, 1813; J. Stambaugh and T. Brewer, 1814; Abraham Buckman and David Thomas, 1816; Joseph Klemfilter and John Klemfilter, 1818; M. Walter and M. DeHoff, 1819; J. Barbor and J. DeHoff, 1820; B. Ettinger and J. Vandersoll, 1821; A. Klinefelter and W. Shultz, 1822; Benjamin Bixler and Conrad King, 1823; John Seibert and J. Bixler, 1824; J. C. Reisner and J. M. Saylor, 1825; A. Becker and J. Brewer, 1826-27; J. Hamilton and J. H. Yambert, 1828; D. Manwoler and G. Brickley, 1829; G. Brickley and J. Brewer, 1830; W. W. Orwig and G. Brickley, 1831; J. Z. Zinger and Joseph Harlackner, 1833; J. Schnee and M. F. Maize, 1834; F. Hoffman and H. Fisher, 1835; G. Brickley, 1836; J. Sensel and M. Heim, 1838; J. Rosenberger and H. Fisher, 1839; John Jacobs and J. Kauffman, 1840; A. Ettinger and M. Lehr, 1841; J. Sensel and H. Westhafer, 1837; H. Thomas and J. Edgar, 1842; H. Thomas and P. Hess, 1843; G. Schafer and M. Leber, 1844; G. Schafer and J. C. Lurh, 1845; G. Brickley, E. Stambaugh and D. Kreamer, 1846-47; H. Rayland, 1848; Geo. Weirich, 1849; G. F. Young and Charles Hammer, 1850-51; John Kreamer and Abraham Krause, 1852-53; G. W. Young, 1854; George Dellinger, 1855; Emanuel Kohr, 1856; G. W. Young, 1857; J. Zimmerman, 1858; L. May, 1859; J. Stambaugh and S. D. Bennington, 1860; Z. Hornberger and E. Stambaugh, 1861; H. W. Price, 1862; Adam Elterger, 1863; P. H. Rishel, 1864; Harry Althouse, 1865; Abraham Krause, 1866-67; Moses Walter and J. W. Bentz, 1868-69; H. H. Ream and Abraham Krause, 1870; P. H. Rishel and N. Young, 1871-72; E. S. Brownmiller, 1873; H. Conrad and D. P. Kline, 1874; S. Aurand and G. Carothers, 1875; W. H. Lilly and C. F. Gephart, 1876; S. Aurand and G. Gross, 1877; Abram Krause, 1878; C. W. Finkbinder and S. Yearick, 1879-80; S. Yearick and C. H. Goodling, 1881; H. M. Drenninger and M. J. Snyder,

1882; H. N. Grenninger and E. Crumbling, 1883-85; S. Yearick, 1885-87; Z. Hornberger, 1887-88; J. H. Hertz, 1888-91; J. M. Price, 1891-94; Geo. Joseph, 1894-95; E. D. Keen, 1895-98; F. Seitz and W. N. Sanner, 1898-99; I. E. Spangler, 1899-1901; E. Fulcomer and G. R. Stover, 1902; E. Fulcomer, 1902-04; J. H. Hertz, 1904-06; W. E. Brillhart, 1906-09; W. N. Fulcomer, 1910; A. M. Jenkins, 1910-13; W. N. Wallis, 1913-16; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1916-21; C. R. Ness, 1921-28; J. H. Miller, 1928-31; see Hellam and Fairmount for the remaining to 1939.

The present enrollment of church school as well as church membership is as follows: Fairmount church, 120; church school, 230; St. Paul's, Hellam church, 103; church school, 150; Freysville church, 40; church school, 72.

Miss Margaret Holtzinger, a missionary, and Bishop John F. Dunlap were once members of this congregation.

LOGANVILLE

The Loganville Charge now consists of four appointments: Mt. Zion, Loganville, Jacobus and Pine Grove. Mt. Zion is the oldest appointment on the charge. In 1810 a class was formed in the home of John Seitz, Sr., from which the Mt. Zion appointment originated and has continued in unbroken existence until this day. The first church was built in 1827. The present church at Mt. Zion is the third one.

As early as 1815 a camp-meeting was held in the vicinity of Mt. Zion which continued as an annual event for many years. These camp-meetings were attended by people from all sections of southern York County. Many were converted and then went back to their homes and through their efforts other classes were formed.

J. Reber, who lived near Loganville, opened his house as a preaching place and soon thereafter a class was formed. This was the origin of the church at Loganville.

This influence also spread to what is now Jacobus. Here were living at that time two brothers, George and Jacob Geiselman, who received some of that spirit. First, they demanded to have prayer-meetings in another denomination to which they belonged. They were refused that privilege and they began holding them in their homes. Members of Mt. Zion and Loganville appointments came to encourage and exhort them. This faithful band led to the building of the first church in 1862.

No history seems to be obtainable as to the origin of the Pine Grove church but no doubt it began in a similar way on the charge.

On March 5, 1856, the West Pennsylvania Conference convened in Mt. Zion church with Bishop John Seybert presiding.

The following ministers, as nearly correct as it was possible to ascertain, served Mt. Zion from its beginning: Jacob Frey, 1808-09; John Erb and M. Betz, 1810; John Dreisbach, H. Niebel and M. Becker, 1811; M. Betz and M. Becker, 1812; L. Zimmerman and F. Shower, 1813; J. Stambaugh and F. Bruer, 1814; A. Buchman and David Thomas, 1815; L. Zimmerman and A. Ettinger, 1816; John Klinefelter and B. Boeshore, 1817; John Klinefelter and John Breidenstine, 1818; M. Walter and M. Dehoff, 1819; J. Barber and J. Dehoff, 1820; B. Ettinger and J. Vandersall, 1821; A. Klinefelter and W. Sholty, 1822; Benj. Bixler and Conrad Kring, 1823; J. Seibert and J. Bixler, 1824; J. C. Reisner and J. M. Saylor, 1825; A. Becker and J. Bruer, 1826; T. Buck and James Bruer, 1827; J. Hamilton and J. H. Yambert, 1828; D. Manweiler and S. Tobias, 1829; G. Brickley and J. Bruer, 1830; W. W. Orwig, D. Brickley and J. Borkert, 1831; J. G. Zinzer, J. Rossner and H. Bucks, 1832; J. G. Zinzer and J. Harlacher, 1833; J. Schnerr and M. F. Maize, 1834; F. Hoffman and H. Fisher, 1835; G. Brickley, 1836; J. Sensel and W. Heim, 1837; J. Sensel and H. Westhofer, 1838; H. Fisher and J. Rosenberger, 1839; J. A. Jacobs and J. Kauffman, 1840; A. Ettinger and M. Lehn, 1841; H. Thomas and J. Edgar, 1842; H. Thomas and P. Heiss, 1843; G. Schaeffer and M. McLehn, 1844; G. Schaeffer and J. C. Line, 1845; no reliable records available, 1845-60, but evidently the following served to 1878: H. Rohland, Geo. Hunter, G. Dellinger, Zimmerman, Zulauf, A. Krause, A. Ettinger, E. Stambaugh, M. J. Carothers, S. Aurand, A. Rearick, A. Longsdorf, Z. Hornberger, J. F. Manbeck, J. C. Farnsworth, J. Kreamer; T. M. Morris, 1878-79; H. N. Greninger, 1879-81; J. Stambaugh, 1882-83; S. Aurand, 1884-85; B. Hengst, 1886-88; N. Young, 1889-90; E. D. Keen, 1891-93; L. Dice, 1894-95; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1896-99; J. D. Stover, 1900-03; A. D. Gramley, 1904-07; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1908-11; W. H. Stover, 1912-13; I. K. Baker, 1914-18; J. Womeldorf, 1919-22; W. H. Brown, 1923-24; E. S. Hill, 1925-28; J. F. Bingman, 1929-32; W. E. Smith, 1933-38; M. R. Vogel, 1939.

LEWISBERRY

Lewisberry Charge is in York County and covers a period of 105 years to date. Originally what is known as Lewisberry Charge, was included in Gettysburg Circuit, later Conewago Circuit. The name was changed to Lewisberry Circuit in 1873.

The following is a list of the pastors from 1834 to the present time: S. G. Miller, J. A. Jacobs, H. Thomas, J. Schnerer, P. Hornberger, F. Miller, G. Shaeffer, H. Westhafer, J. Sensel, J. Kauffman, George Dellinger, M. Bower, J. Boas, E. Kuhn, Levi Hummelbaugh, J. B. Cox, S. McClean, J. M. Young, L. Kelly, D. Danner, George Hunter, B. F. Hall, D. Kreamer, M. Zulauf, J. C. Lunger, H. Althouse, J. Young, E. B. Wilson, S. W. Seibert, D. L. Suttin, S. T. Buck, Simon Aurand, A. H. Irvine, I. M. Pines, P. H. Rishel, F. C. Pandel, Z. Hornberger, W. Reeser, W. E. Detwiler, J. M. Ettinger, J. C. Farnsworth, C. H. Gramley, A. L. Reeser, H. Dietrich, S. W. Stayman, A. W. Kreamer, J. A. Irvine, A. Stapleton, E. Swengel, S. E. Davis, B. F. Anthony, J. D. Shortess, L. K. Harris, L. E. Crumbling, D. P. Schaffer, J. H. Welch, J. H. Furner, G. L. Maice, A. L. Burkett, G. S. Albright, J. H. Ricker, C. S. Messner, M. E. Bartholomew, W. H. Warburton, I. C. Bailey, J. E. Newcomer, J. F. Dauberman and G. W. Frey, Sr.

The present membership is 332; Sunday-school enrollment, 708.

MANCHESTER AND YORKSHIRE

Manchester and Yorkshire are in York County. Rev. J. W. Bentz was one of the first preachers at Manchester. He preached in the union church before 1885. Some of his services were held in German. Other early preachers were C. H. Goodling, and H. H. Douty. Among the charter members of this congregation were Alec. Gipp, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, Mr. and Mrs. David Able, and Samuel Melhorn. Sunday school was first held in Manchester in 1885. The first Sunday school had an enrollment of about seventy-five. The St. Paul's Evangelical church was built upon its present site on Cooper Street in 1902. This appointment was merged with Yorkshire in 1927.

The Yorkshire congregation was transferred from the Stony Brook appointment in 1926. The first pastor in the new church was J. I. Craul. The history of the Stony Brook church goes back to 1879 when C. W. Finkbinder preached there. Among the early preachers were C. H. Goodling, Michael Snyder, L. E. Crumbling, A. H. Irvine, H. H. Douty, I. C. Yeakel, and E. B. Bailey. At the time of the church division, the building was bought by members of the congregation for \$20.00. Thereafter services of this congregation continued without interruption since 1879.

MORGAN CIRCUIT

Morgan Circuit consists of five appointments: Mt. Zion, Spohr's Crossroad, Michael's, Snyder's, Bethel, Mahnes; Berkley Springs having been detached in 1924 and made a mission. This circuit was formerly served by the Pittsburgh Conference. In 1922 the charge was allocated to the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

Mt. Zion, Spohr's Crossroad. The first church was built about 1830. This church burned in 1892 but was rebuilt. A new church was also built by the former United Evangelical denomination. These churches were both dismantled and a new church was erected under the pastorate of J. F. Dauberman in 1930. Present membership, 90; Sunday-school enrollment, 150.

Michaels. The present church was erected in 1903. Before this the preaching services were conducted in the schoolhouse adjoining the church.

Mahnes. The present church was built in 1899 by J. B. McLaughlin. However the first church, according to information, was begun about 1830. Rev. Thomas Hovermale was a member of this church; later moved to Ohio.

Bethel. The first church was built on a tract of land owned and used by the Miller family as a private burial ground, probable date

1850. This church was destroyed by fire. The second church was built on the adjoining land which was acquired from L. Maysilles about 1881 or 1882. This land was a part of the original Fairfax land grant and was a part of the State of Virginia, known as the northern neck of Virginia. Lord Hopton sold to Lord Culpepper in the year 1688 all of this land. This church was torn down in order to enlarge it. The present church was built on the same foundation replacing the old church. The present Sunday-school enrollment is 100.

Snyders. According to information gathered from one of the oldest citizens of the community, Peter Albright, Sr., came from York, Pa., in probably 1818 and preached here, the congregation being permanently established in 1852 when the church was built. The land on which the church is located was given by the late Jacob Snyder, whence came the name Snyder's Evangelical church. The building was used both as a schoolhouse and church and was without seats until about 1870. The building has been remodeled three times, the latest being the annex built in 1927.

Among the pioneer members were the late John and Elizabeth Fuss, Jacob and Mary Albright, Jacob and Katherine Snyder, William and Utilla Lutman and John H. Philips and wife.

The first preaching was done in the German language.

Among the various preachers and pastors were the following: Rev. Icenhouse, 1877-78; Rev. Ortz, 1878-79; Rev. Dickey (and wife, the latter being an excellent singer); Rev. McCauley, 1886-89; Rev. Burket, 1889-92; Rev. Lewis, 1892-94; Rev. Mull, 1894-96; Rev. Martin, 1896-98; Rev. Hardy, 1898-1901; Rev. McLaughlin, 1901-04; Rev. Evey, 1904-05; Rev. Swank, 1905-08; Rev. Gates, 1908-09; Rev. Wissinger, 1909-14; J. L. Smith, 1914-20; Edward Howard, 1920-21; M. R. Tyson, 1921-22; J. P. Sheeseley, 1922-26; John F. Daubermann, 1926-33; C. H. Bankes, 1933-34; L. W. Bartges, 1934-36; I. C. Fuhrmann, 1936-39.

The first Sunday school that we have any record of was organized in 1885 and was a Union Sunday school with an enrollment of approximately 50. The present Sunday school has an enrollment of 82.

Peter Albright, Sr., and wife, Saloma Shimp-Albright, the founder of the congregation together with their son, Jacob Albright, are buried at the southern corner of the church. They are the only people that are buried near the church.

RED LION

St. Paul's church at Red Lion began as part of the old York Circuit with S. Yearick as the pastor, who served for two years. Other churches of the appointment were Freysville, Union Chapel, Salem, Bethlehem, and Adamsville. Preaching was irregular because of lack

of a place in which to worship, until 1890 when the old stone school-house was bought and equipped for this purpose. At this time there was a membership of seven.

In 1894 a brick church was erected. In 1898, Old York Circuit was divided, and Red Lion with Freysville constituted a charge. In 1900 the building was enlarged and improved. About this same time Red Lion was detached from Freysville and made a mission. There were then 160 members. In 1904 the congregation became self-supporting, and the building was further enlarged and improved.

In 1919 the present stone Sunday-school unit was dedicated free of debt. In 1935 the sanctuary was dedicated, thus completing the present place of worship.

Pastors other than S. Yearick who served the congregation were: J. Hornberger, one year; J. H. Hertz, three years; J. M. Price, three years; George Joseph, one year; E. D. Keen, three years; W. M. Sanner, one year; I. E. Spangler, four years; C. W. Finkbinder, four years; D. L. Kepner, one year; C. L. Sones, three years; S. P. Remer, four years; J. Theodore Pettit, five years; H. A. Benfer, five years; Kenneth L. Benfer, one year; E. C. Basom, five years; G. C. Gabriel, eight years. The present pastor is Joe Willard Kreckler.

The church membership at present is 1,130. The Sunday-school enrollment is 1,922.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Albright Memorial Evangelical church of Washington, D. C., came into being during the World Missionary Conference held in Washington, D. C., January, 1925. The idea of an Evangelical church in Washington was conceived by Dr. B. F. Wiener, the Field Secretary of the Missionary Society. During the World Missionary Conference, Dr. Wiener consulted with the leaders of the Washington Federation of Churches and through the efforts of the Comity Committee the present church location was selected.

It was not until May of 1926 that a minister, George E. Schnabel, was sent to the field to survey the field and to plan for the future development. The first service was held in a tent on the present church site on June 27, 1926. The tent was used throughout the summer. For the fall and winter months a storeroom was secured in the business center on Third Street for the services. During this period of planning and survey, Dr. J. W. Thompson, the District Superintendent, was a great help and inspiration. His leadership will long be appreciated.

Through the General Board of Church Extension, Mr. Clayton Lappley was secured as the architect and plans began to develop.

Construction started early in March, 1927. The first service was held in the still-unfinished Young People's Chapel on June 28, 1927. The first wedding was held in the same unfinished Young People's Chapel; Prof. Lewis Smith and Miss Mabel Kern were the happy couple. The first baptismal service was held in the tent when our first Sunday-school scholar, little Mildred Smoot, was consecrated to God.

The first Sunday-school session was held on July 4, 1927, with fourteen scholars present. It was during September that the first members were received into church. The growth of both Sunday-school and congregation has been steady. The Sunday-school enrollment is 600 and the church membership 500. Our Sunday-school superintendent is Mr. Wibert Snyder of Marion, Ohio. Mr. Snyder is an alumnus of North-Central College and is an outstanding authority on sound and acoustics. He is attached to the Bureau of Standards.

The congregation voted to become a self-supporting charge seven years after work was begun. This was a tremendous step because the cost of maintaining such a large plant is enormous.

During 1939 plans were drawn for the next unit of the memorial. Our own Mr. A. B. Lowstuter was engaged as the architect and early in October work was started on the first unit of the sanctuary. The cost is to be \$30,000, all of which is being raised by the congregation.

The first unit was dedicated on November 4, 1927, with the following guest speakers participating: Dr. Daniel Poling, Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, Bishop M. T. Maze, and Dr. J. W. Thompson. The last sermon or public address delivered by Bishop Breyfogel was preached here at Albright church at the anniversary service on November 9, 1931. George E. Schnabel has served this congregation from the beginning, 1926.

WINDSOR

Windsor Mission, York County, is composed of Windsor and Bittersville churches. Rev. E. Fulcomer conducted the first services in Windsor in Grim's Hall and organized a class of 11 members in 1901, and a Sunday school of 30 members. The charge then was Yoe, Freysville, Bethlehem, Felton and Winterstown.

At Bittersville, Rev. C. W. Hipple held the first services in the schoolhouse and Rev. H. A. Stoke built a church in 1906.

The first church was built at Windsor in 1902, the parsonage was built in 1918, and the church enlarged with a Sunday-school unit in 1927. From 1907 to 1921 Windsor was a part of Dallastown Mis-

sion. From 1921 to 1929 Windsor and Bittersville constituted the charge, then Bittersville was added to Dallastown and Windsor Mission was served alone. Again in 1937, Bittersville was added to Windsor.

The present membership is: Windsor, 169; Bittersville, 89. Sunday-school enrollment: Windsor, 315; Bittersville, 275.

The following pastors served: E. Fulcomer and S. A. Snyder (junior preacher), 1901-04; J. H. Hertz, 1904-06; W. E. Brillhart, 1906-09; W. N. Fulcomer, 1909-10; J. O. Biggs, 1910-12; A. W. Shenberger, 1912-13; J. R. Sechrist, 1913-17; G. L. Maice, 1917-22; G. R. Mergenthaler, 1922-27; D. W. Stock, 1927-30; W. C. Hoch, 1930-32; I. C. Bailey, 1932-37; H. A. Snook, 1937-39.

The charge has furnished the following preachers: M. C. Roser, D. P. Smeltzer, Ralph Smith and I. C. Bailey, Jr.

WRIGHTSVILLE

The Evangelical church of Wrightsville was begun as a mission, March, 1890, by L. S. Reichard. The first services were conducted in the town hall. The first Sunday school was conducted in the same year with an enrollment of 30. The first congregation was formed also that year with 20 charter members. The first church, a brick building costing \$2,300 was built in 1890 and dedicated in 1891 on Chestnut Street and Barnes Alley. The charge was formerly on Carlisle district and was a mission for thirty years.

The following served as pastors: L. S. Reichard, 1890-93; D. M. Metzger, 1893-95; J. N. Metzger, 1895-96; D. F. Young, 1896-99; G. E. Zehner, 1899-1900; D. A. Artman, 1900-03; A. Stapleton, 1903-07; N. Young, 1907-11; H. T. Searle, 1911-15; E. D. Keen, 1915-17 (died); P. E. Keen, 1917-22; G. C. Gabriel, 1922-26; A. M. Jenkins, 1926-28; C. C. Mizener, 1928-34; C. W. Guinter, 1934-39.

The present membership is 372; Sunday-school enrollment, 578.

Under the pastorates of L. S. Reichard, D. F. Young, Noah Young, H. T. Searle and Paul E. Keen there were outstanding revivals.

Under the pastorate of D. A. Artman an annex was built to the church to care for the growing congregation. Under the pastorate of H. T. Searle a plot of ground on the corner of Hellam and Fourth Streets was secured for a new building. This project was begun under the pastorate of E. D. Keen and completed after his death by his son, Paul E. Keen, who was appointed to succeed his father. The cost was \$32,000 which was paid during his pastorate.

During the pastorate of G. C. Gabriel the third floor of the parsonage was finished to provide two bedrooms and the basement of

the church was improved for Sunday school and social purposes at a cost of \$7,500.

Under the pastorate of C. C. Mizener a pipe organ costing \$4,500 was installed and the walls of the church frescoed.

D. M. Metzger, who became a leader in the field of education in Oregon, A. Stapleton, the conference historian, Paul E. Keen, a teacher in Evangelical Theological Seminary, Naperville, Ill., and an outstanding leader in summer conferences were products of this church. From this congregation have gone forth the following into the ministry: George A. Heiss, United Brethren in Christ; Jerome F. Diehl, Evangelical; Clair Leber, Evangelical.

For a quarter of a century Mr. Edward Etzweiler was an outstanding leader in the local congregation, the Central Pennsylvania Conference and as a delegate to three general conferences.

Mr. C. E. Ashton for 30 years has been in official position as class leader, teacher and chorister.

YOE AND DALLASTOWN

Yoe is in York County about six miles east of York. The class here was organized in the home of D. S. Hildebrand in 1893 by J. M. Price. A revival was held in the same year and many new members were added. In 1844 George Joseph laid the cornerstone of the church and in the same year B. Hengst dedicated the church. The Sunday school was organized in 1894; C. E., in 1904. Yoe was originally a part of Red Lion Charge. In 1898 it was attached to Felton Charge; 1902, to Freysville and Windsor and called Yoe Charge; 1909, attached to York (Princess Street); 1910, Yoe and Freysville, called Freysville Charge; 1912, became Yoe and Freysville Charge; 1921, Yoe and Freysville Mission; 1928, Yoe Mission; 1937, Yoe and Dallastown. The present membership is 113; Sunday-school enrollment, 143.

Dallastown is in York County, Pa. The work began here in 1905. The pioneer work was begun by Benjamin Hengst. The initial step held till cold weather, when the congregation rented the Odd Fellow's Hall and continued the meetings. The class was formed and a Sunday school organized in the year 1906. In 1907 the present church building was erected under the pastorate of W. E. Brillhart. Dallastown was originally a part of Yoe Mission. In 1908 Dallastown Mission was formed. It consisted of Dallastown, Windsor and Freysville. In 1937 Yoe and Dallastown were put together and called Yoe and Dallastown Mission. The present membership is 93; Sunday-school enrollment, 154.

YORKANA

Present records indicate that services were being conducted, in what was called the Millersville church, as early as 1845. At that time it was being served by the pastor of the Shrewsbury circuit. Later, both Mt. Pisgah and the Millersville churches were a part of the old York circuit. Later the name was changed to Yorkana. In 1885 the annual conference voted to establish a new circuit, namely, the Millersville Charge, and its first pastor was Edward Crumbling.

At the time of the organization of the circuit, Millersville had a membership of 108 members, and the Mt. Pisgah membership totaled 20 members. There were then two Sunday schools with 29 officers and approximately 200 members. B. F. Beard was the superintendent of the Millersville school and J. Keller of the Mt. Pisgah school.

Since its formation the following ministers have served the charge: E. Crumbling, 1885-88; E. D. Keen, 1888-91; Noah Young, 1891-94; E. D. Keen, 1894-95; J. Hartzler, 1895-98; E. Fulcomer, 1898-1901; H. A. Stoke, 1901-03; C. D. Moore, 1903-07; W. N. Fulcomer, 1907-09; M. T. Crouch, 1909-10; W. H. Stover, 1910-12; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1912-16; J. W. Welch, 1916-21; G. L. Reeser, 1921-27; B. G. Hoffman, 1927-34; H. Minsker, 1934-35; W. N. Smeltzer, 1935-39; R. H. Stetler, Jr., 1939.

On January 14, 1893, the Yorkana church was destroyed by fire. Due to a lapse in the insurance policy, the fire caused a total loss with the exception of a few books and records. On May 21, 1893, the cornerstone of the present church was laid on a site across the highway from the old location. Dedication services were held on August 21, 1893, with Bishop Haman officiating. The entire cost was \$4,700, all of which was provided for by cash and subscriptions.

In 1918 the Mt. Pisgah church was rebuilt at the cost of \$4,253.73. Bishop Stanford presided at the dedication services held on September 29, 1918. In 1927 the church was again remodeled by the placing of art glass windows in the church and the entire interior was renovated. On March 17, 1938, lightning struck the Mt. Pisgah church causing a damage of \$618.00.

The Yorkana Charge is located on the York District of the Central Conference. The present membership of the charge totals 241 members. The present Sunday-school enrollment at Mt. Pisgah totals 167, while the membership at Yorkana totals 235.

YORK (BETHANY)

The Bethany Evangelical church had its beginning with Mr. Michael Shellenberger, Sr., and a small group of pious men and women of Green Hills, York, Pa. Michael Shellenberger converted his

carpenter shop into a meeting house and S. S. Smith, a United Brethren minister of York was invited to preach. R. C. Bowersox, minister of the Evangelical Church was next to serve this little group of worshipers.

The Evangelical congregation was organized in 1870 when the first church, a plain wooden structure, was erected at Green Hill during the pastorate of J. C. Farnsworth. There were six charter members and 25 in the Sunday school.

From 1870 to 1905 this church was a part of the old York Circuit and there were at least six appointments on this circuit.

The following ministers who served this appointment were: J. F. Manbeck, A. N. Shenberger, W. H. Lilley, Noah Young, Rev. Conrad, Rev. Brownmiller, Simon Aurand, D. Kline, H. H. Gross, Rev. Gephart, S. Yearich, C. W. Finkbinder, C. H. Goodling, M. J. Snyder, H. N. Grenninger, L. E. Crumblin, A. H. Irvine, H. H. Douty, I. C. Yeakel, E. B. Bailey, A. S. Baumgardner, J. W. Bentz, B. F. Keller and G. L. Maice. Some of the appointments on this charge were Manchester, Emigsville, Stony Brook, Highmount, etc.

At the annual conference of 1905 Green Hill was taken from the Emigsville Circuit and constituted a separate mission except in the quarterly conference. Benjamin Hengst was appointed to the Green Hill Mission and during this year the church was removed from Green Hill to Boll Avenue. Here a beautiful brick edifice was erected and dedicated in 1905. At the next annual conference in 1906 it was continued as a mission and called York (Bethany). Rev. Hengst was returned as pastor. The annual conference of 1907 consolidated Manchester and Emigsville Mission and the York, Bethany Mission. At the annual conference of 1912 York (Bethany) was again constituted a separate mission.

During the summer of 1919 a parsonage was built on the corner of Lancaster Avenue and South Street at an approximate cost of \$6,000. On November 12, 1923, the present property where the church stands was purchased for \$2,900. Excavations for the new church began March 17, 1925, the cornerstone laying May 24, 1925, and dedication December 13, 1925, at a cost of \$43,574.42. A rebuilt Kimball pipe organ was purchased and installed in 1930 costing \$1,885.

The following pastors have served since 1905: B. Hengst, 1906; R. E. Wilson, 1907-09; E. C. Basom, 1909-13; G. C. Gabriel, 1913-17; I. C. Shearer, 1917-22; N. L. Hummel, 1922-26; H. L. Flick, 1926-28; C. R. Ness, 1928-35; Paul Werner, 1936-39.

The present membership of the charge is 370 and the Sunday-school enrollment is 450.

YORK (BETHLEHEM)

Bethlehem Evangelical church, York, Pa., had its beginning through the labors of Jacob Albright, founder of the Evangelical Association, who visited York in 1806 and 1807 and preached in the Courthouse, which was located in Continental Square, where the congregation worshiped for thirty years. In 1936 the preachers of the Evangelical Association began holding services in the homes of the members.

In 1842, the appointment in York was separated from York Circuit and constituted a mission called York Mission. George Brickley was the first preacher. A plot of ground had been purchased on Queen Street between East Market Street and Philadelphia Street, upon which a church was built and dedicated in 1842. During the same year a charter was secured dated November 9, 1842, and recorded January 5, 1843.

From the beginning the congregation was German. In 1870 the membership was 200. In 1844 York Mission was made a station and W. W. Orwig was appointed pastor. Sebastian Kurtz, who was a member on the York Circuit, came to York during the year and worshiped with the York congregation. W. W. Orwig, pastor, wrote parts of the rules of Discipline on paper and gave them to Brother Kurtz who returned to his birthplace, Bonlanden, Württemberg, Germany, in the summer of 1845 and became the founder of our work in Germany.

The German congregation continued to grow in numbers and became the mother of all Evangelical work in York, Pa.

April 1, 1871, about 75 of the younger folk who preferred the English to German, were permitted by the annual conference to withdraw and establish an English mission on King Street, York, Pa., named Trinity English Mission. In 1894 an unfortunate split occurred in the Evangelical Association dividing it into two bodies, one known as the United Evangelical Church, when a number of members withdrew from the mother church and formed the Grace Evangelical congregation on Broad Street, York, Pa.

The Bethlehem congregation continued to worship in the church on Queen Street, until the summer of 1903, when they built the present church building located on the corner of State and Wallace Streets.

Roll of ministers: George Brickley, 1842-44; W. W. Orwig, 1844-45; Jacob Love, 1846; Levi Eberhart, 1847-48; G. Weirizh, 1849; C. Hammer, 1850-51; C. F. Deininger, 1852-53; Emanuel Kohr, 1854-55; Henry Althouse, 1856-57; S. Wolfe, 1858; Daniel Kreamer, 1859; A. L. Reeser, 1860-61; Benjamin Hengst, 1862-63; Jacob Young, 1864-65; Samuel Smith, 1866-67; Adam Rearick, 1868; J. Bowersox, 1869; J. C. Farnsworth, 1870-71; George Brickley, 1872; Simon Aurand, 1873-74; C. F. Deininger, 1875-76; A. F. Leopold,

1877-78; C. Philipbar, 1879; R. Deisher, 1880-81; John Koehl, 1882-83; J. Stambach, 1884-85; C. F. Deininger, 1886-88; Benjamin Hengst, 1889-91; Joshua Shambach, 1892-94; J. M. Schlagenhauf, 1895-96; A. S. Kresge, 1897; D. S. Manning, 1898-99; C. N. Roth, 1900-02; J. S. Farnsworth, 1903-06; C. T. Weidner, 1907-08; J. E. Heberling, 1909-12; A. E. Williams, 1913-19; C. W. Horner, 1920-21; C. S. Bergstresser, 1922-24; C. I. Raffensperger, 1925-29; M. W. Stahl, 1929-30; W. J. Campbell, 1931-38; C. C. Kreidler, 1938-39; G. W. Frey, Jr., 1939.

Bethlehem Sunday school now has an enrollment of 233, and a church membership of 142. Bethlehem church will commemorate its 100th anniversary in 1942. Plans are already in progress to beautify the sanctuary and provide modern Sunday-school facilities in the basement.

YORK (CHRIST)

Christ Evangelical church is located on the York District, York, Pa. The Sunday school was organized in a tent on the corner of Jackson Street and Pershing Avenue, June 24, 1901, under the supervision of Trinity church. The cornerstone of the first church was laid on October 13, 1901, by J. C. Reeser who was then the pastor of Trinity church. R. C. Walker preached his introductory sermon as pastor of the mission on July 7, 1902. The Christian Endeavor was organized September 7, 1902. May 30, 1903, the quarterly conference of Jackson Street Mission was organized in accord with a resolution passed by the quarterly conference of Trinity church under whose supervision it was to operate. The records, however, after this refer to it as Trinity Mission and Jackson Street Mission. An addition was built to the original building during the summer of 1908 and the entire church was dedicated September 27, 1908, by Bishop Dubs. With the enlarging of the church the name was changed from Jackson Street Mission to Christ church. An entirely new Sunday-school unit was built in 1922 at Cottage Place and Pershing Avenue at a cost of \$75,000.00.

The following pastors served the charge: R. C. Walker, 1902-03; H. C. Farley, 1903-04; E. Fulcomer, 1904-06; C. H. Goodling, 1906-10; W. H. Lilley, 1910-14; L. E. Crumbling, 1914-16; A. D. Gramley, 1916-18; C. C. Bailey, 1918-25; F. H. Sanders, 1925-31; J. W. Kreckler, 1931-39; A. C. Ruth, 1939.

The church became self-supporting in 1932. The present church membership is 444, and the Sunday-school enrollment, 509.

YORK (GRACE)

Grace Evangelical church was organized under the leadership of J. Shambaugh, April 1, 1894, at 23 North Queen Street, York, Pa. B. Hengst was appointed pastor in March, 1895. At this time there

were 60 church members and 65 enrolled in the Sunday school. Under the leadership of B. Hengst the first church was built and dedicated October 20, 1895, by Bishop R. Dubs. The second auditorium was built in 1910 and the old church moved to the rear and used for Sunday-school purposes. M. A. Kennelly was pastor at this time. There were 187 church members and 284 enrolled in the Sunday school. In 1927 under the leadership of M. A. Kennelly again, the new Sunday-school unit was built at a cost of \$36,000. At this time there were 238 church members and 356 enrolled in the Sunday school. In 1935 the church auditorium was remodeled by building the choir loft and pulpit platform in the west end of the building and rebuilding the pews to fit the plan for the church. In 1937 a new Möller pipe organ was installed. There remains this year, 1939, \$1,700 debt on pipe organ. Church membership, 411; Sunday-school enrollment, 515.

The following ministers served Grace church: J. Shambaugh, 1894-95; B. Hengst, 1895-98; J. B. Fox, 1899; H. C. Stover, 1900-01; J. Hartzler, 1902-04; D. L. Kepner, 1905-07; M. A. Kennelly, 1908-11; C. L. Sones, 1912-14; J. D. Shortess, 1915-18; H. Minsker, 1919-25; M. A. Kennelly, 1926-27; H. R. Wilkes, 1928-32; H. D. Hill, 1933-39.

YORK (ST. PAUL)

St. Paul's Evangelical church, located at West Poplar Street and South Belvidere Avenue, York, Pa., York County, is an offspring of Trinity Evangelical church, East King Street, York, Pa.

During the winter of 1898-99, a few members of Trinity church met at the home of J. M. Stambaugh where they organized the West End Class. Prayer meetings were held weekly until the session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference at Lewisburg, Pa., in March, 1898, when Benjamin Hengst was appointed pastor of the newly created West York Mission. The residence of the pastor was used in holding services until June, 1899, when a canvas tent was secured and placed on the vacant lot, southeast corner of Belvidere and Poplar Streets, opposite the plot of ground where the present church now stands. The money to purchase the tent was contributed by the York District S. S. and K. L. C. E. convention, held at East Prospect, Pa. The tent, 16 x 20 feet, was made by hand by the ladies of the new class while the men erected the framework. First service in tent was on the last Sunday in May, 1899, 27 present. The first Sunday-school session was held the second Sunday in June, 1899, at 1:30 p. m. Mr. R. R. Keech was elected the first superintendent. A chapel was built and dedicated in November, 1899, and was dedicated as St. Paul's United Evangelical church. There were 22 charter members. In less than five years plans were made for the erection

of the present church. The church and Sunday-school room as they now stand were finished and dedicated May 20, 1906, E. D. Keen, pastor. A few years later under the pastorate of A. Stapleton, the parsonage at 715 West Poplar Street was purchased. At the only conference session held in St. Paul's church, in March, 1916, St. Paul's became a station.

Pastors serving the congregation: Benjamin Hengst, 1899-1900; M. A. Kennelly, 1900-02; W. B. Cox, 1902-04; E. D. Keen, 1904-07; A. Stapleton, 1907-10; C. F. Garrett, 1910-14; S. E. Koontz, 1914-18; J. C. Reeser, 1918-19; C. W. Finkbinder, 1919-22; William O'Donnell, 1922-27; I. E. D. Stover, 1927-30; J. O. Biggs, 1930-31; M. A. Teter, 1931-36; J. H. Miller, 1936-39.

Present membership, 208; Sunday-school enrollment, 282.

One ministerial son, W. F. Woods, is serving Baltimore (St. Matthews). Mrs. A. F. Weaver was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical church, at the time of her marriage to Dr. A. F. Weaver, district superintendent of York district. Mrs. Weaver was former Miss Anna M. Crowell and served as editor of the *Missionary Tidings*, having been a member of St. Paul's at the time of her election to this office.

YORK (TRINITY)

Trinity congregation was originally known as "The English Mission of York." The congregation was organized in 1871 with fifty-seven members. These members had withdrawn from the Bethlehem congregation which was exclusively German. The organization was authorized at the session of the annual conference, York, 1871. U. F. Swengel, later bishop, was the first minister assigned to this mission. Organization was effected March 26, 1871, in the courthouse. Fifty-seven members were transferred from the Bethlehem congregation to the English mission. A Sunday school was organized in April, 1871.

The first church building, erected during the first year of the mission, was built upon the site of the present church edifice. Dedication services were held on October 1, 1871, the building having cost \$3,400. The dedicatory messages were brought by H. B. Hartzler, later bishop, and J. M. Ettinger, who also dedicated the new house of worship.

In 1883, A. H. Irvine was assigned to Trinity, during whose pastorate gracious revivals took place. The church was necessarily enlarged. A Ladies' Aid Society and a Woman's Missionary Society were organized during this pastorate. The historian records: "This pastorate was the beginning of Trinity's expansion."

Trinity became a station seventeen years after its organization, and other marks of growth followed. A K. L. of C. E. was organized in 1891. The establishing of a mission on Jackson Street was

authorized in 1893, which mission was known as South York Mission. In 1894 a new pipe organ was installed.

By 1896, the first church had been outgrown in spite of enlargements, and the present church building was constructed, E. Crumbling, pastor. Dedication was conducted on January 24, 1897, Bishop R. Dubs officiating.

During the years which followed, Trinity continued to flourish, and in 1917 the Sunday-school room was enlarged in such a manner that it could be written: "the largest and most commodious Sunday-school room in the conference became a reality." In 1930, a new and modern home for the pastor was built and consecrated. These material, numerical, and organizational advancements are indicative of the spiritual growth of the congregation.

Revivals have characterized the work at Trinity. One such meeting continued for three months. Faithful ministerial service has received effective lay coöperation. The present membership of the congregation is 755, and the Sunday-school enrollment is 954.

The following ministers have served Trinity: U. F. Swengel, 1871-74; H. B. Hartzler, 1874-November, 1876; A. W. Bower, November, 1876-77; E. Swengel, 1877-78; S. Aurand, 1878-80; P. W. Raidabaugh, 1880-83; A. H. Irvine, 1883-86; A. Stapleton, 1886-89; W. E. Detwiler, 1889-91; U. F. Swengel, 1891-94; E. Crumbling, 1894-98; U. F. Swengel, 1898-99; J. C. Reeser, 1899-1903; H. A. Benfer, 1903-07; M. I. Jamison, 1907-11; J. T. Pettit, 1911-15; J. W. Thompson, 1915-19; A. F. Weaver, 1919-25; A. D. Gramley, 1925-32; N. L. Hummel, 1932-39; J. H. Fleckenstine, 1939.

The first two pastors assigned to Trinity, U. F. Swengel and H. B. Hartzler, later served the church at large as bishops. S. A. Snyder and W. E. Basom were licensed to preach the gospel while members of Trinity. The Hon. S. F. Galtfelder served his country as well as his church in faithful service, being a member of the national Congress, and Professor Otis I. Jacobs served denominationally with his gifts in music.

YORK (ZION)

York (Zion) is situated at the northeast corner of West Philadelphia and North Adams Streets, in West York. In 1898, U. F. Swengel, pastor at York (Trinity), began "preaching services" in the schoolhouse which still stands one block north of the present church. Benjamin Hengst was appointed in 1899, as the first regular missionary to West York Mission, which included York (St. Paul's), and "Eberton." In 1900, Zion was detached from West York Mission and was named "Eberton Mission." The Sunday school which met in the schoolhouse had been started by Methodists of the city, prior to U. F. Swengel's preaching services. The enrol-

ment of the school soon reached fifty, with an average attendance of 36. The first class was organized on August 6, 1899, with eleven charter members. During B. Hengst's pastorate, the first church was erected on the present site and dedicated on September 24, 1899.

Under C. H. Goodling's leadership in 1912, an addition was built to the original frame church and a tower was added, at a total cost of \$2,800. Then again in 1938, Zion moved forward when the church was entirely rebuilt into an enduring brick structure at an approximate cost of \$20,000. A fine electric organ, the gift of friends, is included in the equipment. This great building adventure was accomplished during the first year of W. H. Kelly's pastorate. The debt is \$6,800. The present church membership is 215. There are 301 enrolled in the Sunday school, with an average attendance of 228.

The roll of ministers is as follows: Benjamin Hengst, 1899-1900; W. I. Shambaugh, 1900-03; W. E. Peffley, 1903-07; C. D. Moore, 1907-10; C. H. Goodling, 1910-13; J. I. Craul (supply), 1913-14; H. W. Buck, Jr., 1914-16; J. H. Ryder, 1916-22; A. J. Chamberlain, 1922-26; S. S. Miller, 1926-32; H. A. Klingeman, 1932-38; W. H. Kelly, 1938-39.

(Lewisburg District)

BERWICK (BOWER MEMORIAL)

Evangelical work in this vicinity can be traced back to 1816, the year the first Evangelical church was built at New Berlin, Pa. Bower Memorial church traces its history back to the year 1869, when the class was formed with Isaiah Bower as the local preacher. The first sermon was preached in the Town Hall, Berwick, Pa., March 9, 1870, and a class of six members was organized. P. H. Rishel, pastor of Columbia Circuit, was in charge. Members of the class were: Isaiah Bower, Hannah Bower, Henry J. Clewell, Susan Clewell, Elizabeth Clewell, and Fannie Kirkendall. Worship services were held regularly in the Town Hall from the date of organization until the dedication of the first church on East Second Street, January 18, 1874. The cost of this church was \$5,750. A new church costing \$17,000 was built on the corner of Second and Pine Streets, and was dedicated September 30, 1907. In 1912 a parsonage was built at the corner of Pine and Front Streets. The church house was destroyed by fire September 16, 1916, and was rebuilt at a cost of \$82,000, and dedicated January 5, 1919. A social hall costing \$41,000 was built in 1926.

Five sessions of Annual Conference have been entertained by this congregation: 1880, 1891, 1908, 1914, 1928.

The Ushers Association was organized December 5, 1905, and is

one of the first of the Brotherhood groups to be organized in our denomination.

Honorable Charles A. Shaffer (1867-1935) represented this congregation in Annual Conference 42 consecutive years, and attended 10 General Conferences.

The late J. J. Nungesser, at one time publisher of the Evangelical Press, R. H. Stetler, present publisher, and Robert Smethers, assistant publisher, were members of this congregation before moving to Harrisburg.

Mrs. Jacob Knecht has started her 55th year as a Sunday-school teacher. For 49 years she has been with the same group of women, whom she received in a class as little girls.

Mrs. Fannie Kirkendall Hagenbuch is the only living charter member of this congregation. She is active, cheerful, and faithful in attendance at Sunday school and the worship service every Sunday morning, although she is 93 years of age.

The consistent growth in numbers, spirituality, missionary zeal, and social activities, and the influence of its revival meetings, characterize this church as an important contributing factor in Kingdom building. This church has assisted in a large measure in the organization and promotion of three home missionary projects, namely: Nescopeck (1881); North Berwick (1902); and St. Paul's church, West Berwick (1903). The present membership totals 735. The present pastor is Reed O. Steely.

BERWICK (NORTH)

The first sermon was preached in a schoolhouse on April 19, 1901, by E. E. Shaffer, pastor of Columbia Circuit. Revival services in October resulted in 45 conversions. The same month a class was organized with 60 charter members. A Sunday school was also organized. S. F. Ridall was class leader and H. M. Evans superintendent. A church seating 325 was built on Summerhill Avenue and dedicated as the First Evangelical church of North Berwick, July 6, 1902. So steady and promising was the growth that in March, 1903, it was detached from the circuit and made a new mission. So vigorous was the growth that the church building which the first pastor prophesied would be large enough for fifty years was outgrown in twelve years. A 30 ft. x 25 ft. addition was made and the church completely renovated and reopened September 14, 1913. In twelve years this was outgrown and the present Sunday-school unit was dedicated September 13, 1925. The present membership is 640. The Sunday-school enrollment is 690. This is the largest Sunday school in Berwick. Revivals resulted in 270 conversions in 1927, Miss Palmer, evangelist; 100 conversions in 1933, Misses Smith and

Logue, evangelists; 85 conversions in 1935 and 80 in 1938, C. R. Ness, pastor-evangelist. This is the home church of Publisher Roy H. Stetler.

Pastors and years served: E. E. Shaffer, 1901-07 (two years as part of circuit and four as a mission); E. D. Keen, 1907-11; N. Young, 1911-15; J. C. Reeser, 1915-19; S. E. Koontz, 1919-23; J. H. Fleckenstine, 1923-27; J. W. Campbell, 1927-31; Paul A. Werner, 1931-35; C. R. Ness, 1935-39.

BERWICK (ST. PAUL)

Rev. E. E. Shaffer, while serving as the first pastor of the North Berwick Evangelical church, secured permission from the school board of West Berwick, to hold services in the old white school building. The first service was held on May 31, 1903. On June 21, 1903, a Sunday school was organized, with M. J. Brown as the first superintendent.

On June 25, 1903, two lots were purchased from Mrs. O. F. Ferris on which the present church and parsonage were erected. The cornerstone for the church was laid on September 20, 1903. J. W. Thompson conducted the ritualistic service of the cornerstone laying. Services were held in the town hall for about five months preceding the dedication of the new church.

Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., LL.D., dedicated the church on April 18, 1904. The cost of building and furnishings was announced as being \$3,230. Of this amount \$1,500 was secured in cash and pledges.

In March, 1904, St. Paul was constituted a mission and C. H. Goodling was appointed as the first regular pastor. At the first quarterly conference held in the church, May 7, 1904, the following parsonage committee was appointed: C. H. Goodling, M. J. Brown and Edward Hiney. The cost was not to exceed \$1,500. On August 30, 1904, the pastor moved into the new parsonage located at 1104 Orange Street.

The statistical report at the close of the first year showed an enrolled membership of 47 and a Sunday school of 97. There has been a steady growth ever since until the membership is about 300 and a Sunday school of 450. At the conference session of 1920 the congregation became self-supporting.

The following have served as pastors: E. E. Shaffer, 1903; C. H. Goodling, 1904-05; E. Fulcomer, 1906-09; W. N. Wallace, 1910; W. B. Cox, 1911; W. C. Hoch, 1912-14; H. R. Wilkes, 1915-19; R. S. Starr, 1920-23; J. M. Dick, 1924-28; S. A. Snyder, 1929-30; I. W. Moyer, 1931-34; C. C. Mizener, 1935-39.

BLOOMSBURG

The first services as known were held by a few members in a one-room building schoolhouse at Port Noble which today is West Ninth Street. Sometime during the Civil War this congregation moved to

a one-room schoolhouse in Rabb town which today is East Eighth Street, and from here to a large upper room in the Old Academy, and worshiped here from 1872 to 1875 and then moved to the Welsh Baptist church on North Iron Street. This denomination had abandoned it sometime before and our congregation worshiped here from 1875 to 1880. While worshiping here a pastor by the name of George Hunter purchased a lot on East Fourth Street from George Hassert. During the pastorate of S. E. Davis in the year 1880, the first Evangelical church was built and dedicated by Bishop Thomas Bowman as the Ebenezer Evangelical church of Bloomsburg, Pa. During the pastorate of G. W. Currin two lots were purchased three blocks east of the church and a parsonage erected. During the pastorate of J. W. Waltz a lot was purchased at the corner of Fifth and Iron Streets. A. W. Campbell was pastor when the first unit—a Sunday-school room—was erected and dedicated in February, 1927, by Bishop M. T. Maze as the "Good Shepherd" church of Bloomsburg. A short time later the First church was sold to the Beth Israel congregation.

Ministers who preached here at first served from Columbia Circuit. Following is the roster: Charles Benninton, Peter Rishel, John Irvin, Morris Walton, Reuben Bowersox, A. W. Shellenberger, J. W. Hertz, George Hunter, L. K. Harris, S. E. Davis, S. P. Remer, H. W. Buck, J. F. Shultz, A. W. Swengel, C. L. Sones.

The following served after Bloomsburg became a separate appointment: G. W. Currin, J. W. Bentz, J. W. Messinger, J. Shambach, E. B. Bailey, S. E. Koontz, W. J. Dice, J. W. Waltz, A. Ward Campbell, S. S. Mumey, C. H. Loyer, E. Fulcomer, S. A. Snyder, Jr., and A. C. Paulhamus, the present minister.

This congregation has grown to be self-sustaining, even though it was a mission until the year 1920. It has a present church membership of 263 and a Sunday-school enrollment of 302.

This appointment has always been on the Lewisburg District. The Sunday-school unit was built at a cost of \$47,000 and there is remaining now a debt of less than \$9,000.

BUFFALO VALLEY

Buffalo Valley Charge is located in Union County. When our first ministers came here to preach is not known; it is certain they labored here long before 1845. They worshiped in homes and schoolhouses, preaching at times in the German language. There were some who took the *Botschafter*. Sunday schools were organized and the enrollment in 1852 was over 300. The enrollment at present is 375. The church membership in 1852 was about 95. The present membership is 270. In 1852 the probationary system was adopted and later on there was an action by the quarterly conference to discontinue it.

Ministers who served this charge are: I. W. Young, 1852; Henry Hagle, 1853-54; B. F. Hall, 1855-56; I. C. Farnsworth, 1857-59; A. Longsdorf, 1860; J. Hartzler and S. T. Buck, Jr., 1861-62.

At this time Buffalo Valley Circuit consisted of twelve appointments: Salem, Emmanuel, New Columbia, North White Deer, White Deer Mills, Wisetown, Elimport, Wolfs, Zion Class, Spring Creek, Forest Hill and Hartelon.

Other ministers who served: S. T. Buck and H. A. Dittenck, 1863; S. Seibert and F. C. Huffman, 1864; C. W. Harris and J. S. Swengle, 1865; M. H. Harris and W. E. Detwiler, 1866; S. D. Bennington and W. P. Thomas, 1867-68; H. M. Buck and C. H. Gramley, 1869-70; H. W. Buck and H. Lenard, 1870; H. Conard and J. W. Raidabaugh, 1871; E. Kohr and L. K. Harris, 1872; E. Kohr and L. Mathis, 1873; George Hunter and J. F. Jarrett, 1874; G. Hunter, 1875-76; M. Sloat, 1877-78; Z. Hornberger, 1879-80; D. P. Kline, 1881-83; I. M. Pines, 1884-86; J. Young, 1887-88; J. F. Shultz, 1889-90; I. M. Pines, 1891; J. D. Shortess, 1892-94; J. Shambach, 1895-98; A. S. Baumgardner, 1899-1901; L. Dice, 1902-05; J. D. Stover, 1906-09; J. M. Price, 1910-11.

The appointments at this time were: Mazeppa, Salem, Cowan, Sunrise and Ebenezer.

Other ministers are: J. Womeldorf, 1912-14; M. J. Snyder, 1915; J. R. Schechterly, 1915-20; C. H. Bankes, 1921-22; J. G. Brown, 1923-25; E. Kline, 1926; F. A. Huff, 1927-29; R. L. Lundy, 1934-38; W. E. Smith, 1939.

The charge now consists of five appointments: Mazeppa, Forest Hill, Cowan, Pleasant Grove and Sunrise.

Mazeppa church was built in 1859; Forest Hill, 1852; Cowan, 1882; Sunrise, 1910; Pleasant Grove, —.

Ebenezer Class was removed from the Buffalo Valley Charge and added to the Winfield Charge in 1923. Forest Hill and Pleasant Grove were detached from Millmont and added to Buffalo Valley in 1928.

Some of the men licensed to preach: David Wagner, Adam Hartman, John Fairley, John Machamer, Jacob Baker, Frank Bergenstol, D. Artman, S. Chapell, Levi Becker, A. J. Rishel and F. E. Remaly.

CARLISLE

The Evangelical church of Carlisle, Cumberland County, was formed by a congregation of twelve persons in August of the year 1866. Meetings were held for a time at the house of Rev. Jacob Boas. In the year 1867 the annual conference took up the appointment as a mission to be served by neighboring ministers, among whom were A. L. Reeser, Jacob Boas and George Hunter. The meetings were then held in Rheem's Hall, now the *Sentinel* building.

In 1870 the first church building was erected at the cost of \$12,000, and the congregation was incorporated under the name of St. Paul's church of the Evangelical Association.

In 1896 the present church building was erected, and under the present corporate name the congregation has attained a membership of 800 with a Sunday-school enrollment of 1,075. The church property is valued at \$60,000, clear of debt. A valuable parsonage is also owned by the congregation on which there is a debt of \$3,000.

The ministers who served the congregation in order of time were: J. G. M. Swengel, J. H. Leas, H. B. Hartzler, J. M. Ettinger, I. M. Pines, H. A. Stoke, A. H. Irvine, W. H. Croman, George E. Zehner, P. W. Group, John A. Irvine, A. W. Swengel, J. C. Reeser, J. W. Messinger, M. F. Fosselman, H. A. Benfer, W. E. Detwiler, J. T. Pettit, C. L. Sones, M. A. Kennelly, I. E. Spangler, D. F. Young, H. M. Buck and F. E. Remaly.

COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

This old circuit may trace its origin to the labors of Jacob Albright under whose labors Col. Leonard Zimmerman was converted and opened his home in Schuylkill County in 1797 as a preaching place for Albright and his colaborers. His daughters Maria and Eve married brothers, John D. and Michael Seybert respectively. Another daughter, Catherine, married John George Zehner who became the grandparents of Revs. Isaiah Bower and John George Zehner. The Seyberts and Zehners moved to the North Branch valley of the Susquehanna River and established homes near Berwick. Zehner settled at Summer Hill while the Seyberts settled a little north in the adjoining township. Their spiritual father, Jacob Albright, and his colaborers followed them and used their homes as preaching places.

In 1806 annual conferences were started and preachers were stationed to the two existing circuits. The new circuit covered the area which gave rise to Columbia Circuit.

In 1811 Leonard Zimmerman and John Erb were appointed to the new circuit. Rev. Zimmerman was a brother to the wives of the Seyberts and Zehner and visited them and preached in their homes. That year a great revival was held at Summer Hill in the little log cabin in which the Zehners lived. This yielded a large ingathering and was the beginning of the Summer Hill class. In 1814 Union Circuit was formed on which were the preaching places which later became Columbia Circuit.

In 1816 at the conference held in the Eyer barn at Winfield, Columbia Circuit was separated from Union Circuit and received its name which it has retained to the present time.

In 1821 the salary paid was \$26.66 when all collections were brought to the conference and divided equally among the ministers. In 1926 the highest salary for a year was paid which was \$1,950.

In 1839 Columbia Circuit included the entire area between the West branch and the North branch of the Susquehanna River. In this region now are the appointments at Hughesville, Sonestown, Dushore, Unityville, Milton, Northumberland, Danville, Bloomsburg, Espy Circuit, the churches of Berwick and the present five churches of Columbia Circuit.

In 1858 there were 17 preaching places. In 1859 the circuit was divided to form the Montour Circuit. Eight years later Columbia Circuit had grown to include 23 preaching places, some of which became stations and charges. At present there are five appointments: Ebenezer, Evansville, Summer Hill, Salem, and Stone church. One of the largest ingathering years was 1867 when A. H. Irvine had 175 conversions and 165 accessions. The charge has always been loyal in meeting its financial obligations. In 1937 it paid its three-year apportionment for Albright College in one year. In 1938 the Sunday-school enrollment was 490 with an average attendance of 357.

Columbia Circuit produced at least eight ministers for the Evangelical Church: A. Vallerschamp, H. A. Dietrich, Jeremiah Whitmire, George Zehner, Morris Walton, J. M. Brader, John Hertz and Roy Freas; also some prominent laymen among whom is the late C. A. Shaffer.

The following ministers served Columbia Circuit—in connection with the new or Northumberland Circuit: George Miller, 1806; John Walter and Jacob Frey, 1807; George Miller and John Dreisbach, 1808; John Walter and John Erb, 1809; John Dreisbach and David Yerlitz, 1810; John Erb and Leonard Zimmerman, 1811; Leonard Zimmerman, John Buckwalter and Fred Shower, 1812; Matthew Betts, Robert McCray, A. Buchman and John Stambach, 1813.

In connection with the newly formed Union Circuit: H. Neibel and John Klenfelter, 1814; John Stambach and Jacob Klinefelter, 1815.

As a separate circuit: P. Schmidt, 1816; L. Zimmerman, 1817.

Again in connection with Union Circuit: John Stambach and John Dehoff, 1818; H. Hassler and J. Brutenstein, 1819; A. Klinefelter and G. Lantz, 1820; John Seybert and F. Glosser, 1821; James Barber and J. Eisenberger, 1822; J. Breidenstein, A. Becker and J. Foy, 1823; P. Wagner, C. Kring and T. Buck, 1824; J. W. Miller and George Enders, 1825; J. C. Reisner, 1826; Ettinger and George Mattinger, 1827; F. Hoffman and George Enders, 1828; J. Barber and J. G. Linzer, 1829; G. Schneider and S. Tobias, 1830; J. M. Saylor and W. Wagoner, 1831; S. G. Miller and Charles Hesser, 1832; J. C. Reisner and F. Hoffman, 1833; J. Young and D. Berger, 1834; D. Berger and J. M. Sindlinger, 1835.

Again as a separate circuit which it remained to the present time: J. M. Sindlinger, 1836; George Brickly and J. Schuppert, 1837; J. Barber, B. Epply and F. Kreckler, 1838; S. Mosser and A. Longsdorf, 1839; Alexander Longsdorf and J. Noecker, 1840; D. Kehr, 1841; George Schaeffer and David Rishel,

1842; George Schaeffer and George Weirick, 1843; H. Rohland and George Weirick, 1844; James Dunlap, 1845; J. Dunlap, S. Wolf and S. W. Seibert, 1846; E. Kohr and J. Bolton, 1847; E. Kohr and A. Vallerschamp, 1848; J. M. Young, W. Bressler and John McKesson, 1849; J. M. Young and C. F. Deininger, 1850; J. L. W. Seibert and A. J. Bender, 1851-52; B. F. Hall and A. L. Reeser, 1853; B. F. Hall and J. Young, 1854; J. M. Young and D. W. Miller, 1855; J. M. Young and George Hunter, 1856; John Young and J. W. Clair, 1857; E. B. Wilson, G. P. Weber and H. A. Dietrich, 1858; E. B. Wilson and Z. Hornberger, 1859; Jacob Hartzler, 1860; George Hunter, 1861; George Hunter and A. Summerville, 1862; M. W. Harris, 1863-64; S. D. Bennington, 1865-66; A. H. Irvine, 1867-68; P. Rishel and M. Walton, 1869; P. Rishel and T. W. Raidebaugh, 1870; H. W. Buck and Edwin Swengle, 1871-73; S. P. Remer and W. M. Croman, 1874-76; A. W. Shenberger and J. W. Hertz, 1877; W. W. Rhoads, 1878-80; I. M. Pines, 1881-83; D. P. Kline, 1884-86; C. W. Finkbinder and J. F. Dunlap, 1887-89; W. W. Hartman, 1890-91; C. J. Dick, 1892; C. D. Moore, 1893-96; W. J. Campbell, 1897-1900; E. E. Shaffer, 1901-02; J. R. Sechrist, 1903-04; J. M. King, 1905-08; F. H. Foss, 1909-12; W. K. Shultz, 1913-14; G. L. Reeser, 1915-17; L. A. Fuhrman, 1918-22; F. A. Sherman, 1923; C. H. Loyer, 1924-26; J. H. Ricker, 1927-29; H. S. Entz, 1930-35; W. L. Baughman, 1936-39.

CUMBERLAND

The first class on the charge was formed at the Waggoner appointment which at that time was probably a part of Big Spring Circuit. Later this appointment was added to the Blossville Circuit and in 1922 became a part of the Cumberland Charge.

The first class was organized in the home of Philip Waggoner in 1818. Philip Waggoner became one of the outstanding preachers of the early church and served several terms as presiding elder.

The Cumberland Charge was formed in 1833 with C. Hesser and A. Fry as the first pastors. Letort was the only appointment on the charge that year. Other classes that, at one time or another, belonged to the Cumberland Charge were Leesburg, Stone Tavern, White Hall, Boiling Springs, Mt. Holly Springs and Hickorytown.

The oldest church of which we have any record is the Letort church, built in 1841. The charge was formerly on the Carlisle district but is now on the Lewisburg district.

The list of pastors serving the charge is as follows: C. Hesser and A. Fry, 1834; J. P. Leib, G. Schneider and F. Miller, 1835; C. Hesser and F. Miller, 1836; F. M. Magee, C. Holl and G. Shaffer, 1837; J. Young, J. Jacobs and S. Krall, 1838; J. Jacobs, A. Forrey and W. Westhafer, 1839; George Shaffer, Moses and Bower, 1840; J. Jacobs and D. Long, 1841; J. Boas, James Dunlap and P. Heiss, 1842; J. Boas and F. Miller, 1843; M. Bowers, L. Hummelstine and N. Slosser, 1844; M. Bowers and George Weirick, 1845; L. Eberhardt and J. M. Young, 1846; James Dunlap, 1847; James Dunlap and Peter Heiss, 1848; L. Eberhart, 1849-50; E. Kohr, 1851-52; J. L. Seibert, 1853; C. F. Deininger, 1854-55; J. Dunlap and M. J. Carothers, 1856; M. J. Carothers and A. L. Reeser, 1857; A. L. Reeser and J. Young, 1858; J. Young, M. J. Carothers and D. W. Miller, 1859; J. Young and F. C. Hoffman, 1860; E. B.

Wilson and M. Sloat, 1861; Z. Hornberger and W. Davis, 1862; Z. Hornberger and W. Detweiler, 1863; H. R. Price and H. Buck, 1864; H. R. Price and A. Longsdorf, 1865; George Hunter, 1866-67; L. Y. Reed, 1868-69; J. G. M. Swengel, 1870-71; H. A. Dietrich, 1872; R. W. Runyan and S. E. Davis, 1873-74; R. C. Bowersox, 1875; R. C. Bowersox and B. F. Hall, 1876; R. C. Bowersox and J. C. Reeser, 1877; R. C. Bowersox, E. Swengle and E. James, 1878; E. Swengle and C. L. Gephart, 1879; S. Aurand and C. L. Gephart, 1880; S. Aurand and M. J. Snyder, 1881; S. Aurand and J. R. Sechrist, 1882; M. Sloat and G. S. Smith, 1883-84; L. Dice and C. C. Aurand, 1885; L. Dice and J. Womelsdorf, 1886-87; P. W. Group, F. C. Bowersox and C. F. Garrett, 1888; P. W. Group and C. F. Garrett, 1889; J. W. Bentz and H. W. Bender, 1890; J. R. Sechrist and J. H. Furner, 1891-92; J. R. Sechrist and I. R. Dayton, 1893-94; W. Minsker and A. D. Gramley, 1895; D. A. Artman and A. D. Gramley, 1896; D. A. Artman and C. W. Hipple, 1897; D. A. Artman and H. C. Stover, 1898; D. A. Artman, 1899; C. D. Moore, 1900-02; J. H. Hertz, 1903; W. E. Brillhart, 1904-05; I. N. Bair, 1906-07; I. N. Pines, 1908; F. L. Teter, 1909-12; C. D. Pewterbaugh, 1913-17; F. H. Sanders, 1918-24; J. F. Bingham, 1925-28; E. S. Hill, 1929-31; B. L. Moore, 1931-39; H. F. Springman, 1939.

The present membership of the charge is 277; the Sunday-school enrollment is 410.

The annual conference was held four times on this field: 1843, Letort church, Bishop Seybert presiding; 1847, Letort church, Bishop Long presiding; 1858, New Kingstown, Bishop Long presiding; 1867, New Kingstown, Bishop Long Presiding.

The following entered the ministry from this field: A. H. Irvine, 1860, New Kingstown; Philip Waggoner, 1822, Waggoner's; Irvin C. Shearer, 1907, Waggoner's; Gordon Burgett, 1920, missionary in Red Bird, Kentucky, Middlesex.

DANVILLE

In the first quarterly conference record of Danville Mission we find that Evangelical ministers preached "at certain times regularly in Danville" prior to 1867, but with no lasting results. In 1867 H. A. Stoke was stationed here; and his efforts were blessed with a revival. A society was formed, but due to the lack of a church "many members wandered away and others joined other societies."

In 1869 W. H. Davis was stationed here and erected a church that same year. From that time the work became permanent. This church, remodeled during the pastorate of J. H. Ricker, and renovated during the pastorate of H. H. Jacobs, provides a beautiful church home for the present congregation.

Of the outlying appointments attached at times to Danville, St. John's (Sheep's) alone remains. Sheep's Schoolhouse was added to Danville Mission in 1876, and later a church erected in which services are still held.

Following are the pastors who have served Danville Mission: H. A. Stoke, 1867-68; W. H. Davis, 1869-70; W. E. Detwiler, 1871-73; H. W. Buck, 1874-75; P. W. Raidabaugh, 1876-78; P. S. Orwig, 1877; G. Hunter, 1879-80; J. Hornberger, 1881; J. M. Brader, 1882-84; A. S. Baumgardner, 1885-87; H. A. Stoke, 1888-90 (the parsonage was built during this pastorate); J. F. Dunlap, 1891-92; S. S. Mumey, 1893-94; J. Womeldorf, 1895-96; J. G. Whitmore, 1897; J. F. Hower, 1898-1901; E. B. Dunn, 1902-05; Harry Minsker, 1906; W. N. Wallis, 1907-09; C. D. Moore, 1910-13; C. E. Allison, 1914; W. E. Detwiler, 1915-18; Noah Young, 1919-20; J. R. Schechterly, 1921-24; J. H. Ricker, 1925-26; H. A. Snook, 1927-31; W. C. Hoch, 1932-33; H. H. Jacobs, 1934-38; R. S. Daubert, 1939.

ENOLA

The first service was held on September 30, 1906, by J. C. Reeser, presiding elder of Carlisle District. Revs. A. H. Irvine and E. B. Bailey were present. The services were held in a tent near the present building.

The first Sunday school was organized on October 7, 1906. The first quarterly conference was held December 8, 1906; J. C. Reeser, presiding elder; E. B. Bailey, pastor. The Sunday-school enrollment was 60.

A chapel was erected, corner of S. Enola Drive and Pine Street in 1906 and 1907 at a cost of \$1,350, and dedicated February 10, 1907, by Bishop H. B. Hartzler.

Enola Mission is on Lewisburg District; was originally on Carlisle District. It has been a mission since its beginning.

The following have served as pastors: E. B. Bailey, part of 1906; M. C. Jacobs, 1907; J. W. Waltz, 1908; G. C. Gabriel, 1909-12; B. L. Moore, 1913-17; H. M. Buck, 1918-22; J. H. Rosenberger, 1923-26; J. B. McLaughlin, 1927-30; J. O. Biggs, 1931-39.

The present membership is 126, and enrollment in Sunday school is 175.

The chapel was rebuilt and enlarged in 1916 and rededicated by Bishop W. M. Stanford at a cost of \$3,600.

The entire debt was cancelled in 1922. A parsonage was purchased in 1931 at a cost of \$3,800.

ESPY

Espy Mission of the Evangelical Church consists of four appointments, namely: Espy, Almedia, Lime Ridge and Hetlerville. Light Street was part of Espy field from the time of organization in 1869 until 1921 when they were taken from the charge.

Espy class was organized in 1877. They worshiped in the school-house until 1891 when the present brick building was erected during the pastorate of C. L. Sones. During the pastorate of G. W. Frey

the church was severely damaged by a storm and repaired at a cost of \$3,450. Records of charter members, Sunday school and first pastors are not available on the field. The records in the parsonage show the following pastors have served: E. E. Shaffer, C. L. Sones, J. F. Dunlap, J. A. Shultz, S. E. Davis, H. W. Buck, S. P. Remer and D. A. Artman. Date of service are recorded from 1895 as follows:

Harry Minsker, 1895-97; S. S. Mumey, 1898-1901; W. H. Stover, 1902-05; J. O. Biggs, 1906-09; J. D. Stover, 1910; J. Shambach, 1911-14; J. Womeldorf, 1915; John M. Price, 1916-17; A. J. Chamberlain, 1918-21; I. N. Bair, 1922-28; C. H. Bankes, 1929-30; G. W. Frey, 1931-34; J. A. Corle, 1935-37; M. A. Herman, 1938-39.

The present membership is 73; Sunday-school enrollment, 78.

Lime Ridge. The Lime Ridge class was organized in 1851. They worshiped in a schoolhouse until the present building was erected in 1855. They were part of Luzerne Circuit which included appointments reaching from Wilkes-Barre to the Davis church in Beaver Valley, a distance of seventy-five miles. The preacher crossed the river by boat to serve at Lime Ridge (then known as Centerville), having a membership of 55. The lot on which the building now stands was purchased from Lindsey and Julia Woolery for the sum of \$75. The trustees were Albert Stookey, Samuel Boone, Hezikiah Boone, Edward Stewart, Isaiah Bower, George Yunker, and Peter Huttenstine. The present membership is 92; Sunday-school enrollment, 108.

Almedia. The Almedia class was organized in 1866. They too, worshiped first in a schoolhouse. The present frame building was erected in 1872. Dedicated May 26th of the same year. There are no records on file concerning the early days. James M. Price was recommended for the ministry by this class. For a few years prior to 1913 there was no service; then under the leadership of Mrs. B. E. Karshner, Mrs. Clark Musselman and Mrs. G. C. Mills, the work was again revived and at present the membership is 55, and Sunday-school enrollment, 110.

Hetlerville. The Hetlerville appointment was taken from Nescopeck Charge and added to Espy Mission in 1929. They first worshiped in a rural schoolhouse, namely Bomboys school. There are no records to show when the class was first organized or of any Sunday-school work. This appointment was first served along with Youeys, Mt. Zion and Sloyersville. The present frame building was built in 1892.

A list of ministers serving is as follows: M. F. Fosselman, F. F. Mayer, M. T. Crouch, L. Dice, C. E. Hewitt, J. F. Dauberman, F. E. Remaly, C. B. Snyder, C. D. Pewterbaugh, I. E. D. Stover, C. H. Bankes, G. W. Frey, J. A. Corle and M. A. Herman.

HUMMELS WHARF

The Hummels Wharf Mission consists of three appointments: Hummels Wharf, Shreiners and Witmers East.

The work at Hummels Wharf was started by G. S. Albright in 1912, while he was serving Winfield, Shreiners and Kratzerville. The first step in the local work was organizing a Sunday school in the Wagensellers schoolhouse in 1912, where services were conducted till January, 1914, when the present church building was completed. The present church is one room, seating about 250.

The average attendance at Sunday school for 1914 was 64; in 1930, 116. The enrollment for 1938-39 was 262, with an average attendance of 162.

Valuation of the church is \$5,500. During the pastorate of J. H. Fleckenstine in 1922 the church debt was cancelled. In 1924, during the pastorate of W. C. Hoch, a parsonage was built at a cost of almost \$7,000. This cost was shared with the Shreiners appointment and met. The congregation is now gathering a building fund for a much-needed Sunday-school room.

In 1915 a church membership of 35 was reported; membership in 1938-39, 117.

The Shreiners appointment in 1915 was taken from Winfield and Hummels Wharf and Shreiners were made a mission, and in 1933 Witmers East from the Port Trevorton charge was added.

Shreiners is a beautiful rural church with three classrooms. Sunday-school enrollment in 1938-39, 234, with an average attendance of 172. The church membership is 163.

Witmers, Sunday-school enrollment, 75; average attendance, 26. Church membership, 38. Total church membership, 318.

The following pastors served the field: G. S. Albright, R. S. Starr, H. A. Benfer, Jr., M. T. Crouch, D. A. Artman, J. H. Fleckenstine, W. C. Hoch, N. J. Dubs, H. F. Springman, S. S. MumeY and the present pastor, I. C. Bailey, appointed in 1937.

KEYSTONE-PERRY CHARGE

The Keystone-Perry Charge is situated in the environs of Marysville and Loysville, Perry County, Pa. This charge has the unique distinction of being the first field of work established north of Cumberland County. Its earliest history goes back to 1843 when it became a separate charge. Previous to this date it was served by circuit riders coming over the mountain from Cumberland. At this early date it was known as Perry County Circuit and included all the territory in the county.

No churches were known of in 1843 but as early as 1850 edifices were constructed on the charge. Martin J. Carothers, who became the first presiding elder to speak the English language served the circuit in 1848 and 1849.

The areas of labor have undergone many changes of names and of boundaries. Known as the Perry Circuit up to 1895, it was then changed to the name of Perry Charge. In 1899 it was again known as the Perry Circuit. This title was retained till 1922 when it became the Perry Charge once more. It received its present name in 1931 when it was combined with the Keystone Charge. Five appointments now constitute the charge known as Elliottsburg, Stony Point, Pisgah, Salem and Bethel, with a present membership of 270.

The first services of the Evangelical Association are recorded as having been held in the home of Henry Toomey, Sr., one mile north of Milford in or near 1840. The church, as built, was 35x40 ft. in size and was a pebble-dashed building; and was weatherboarded and remodeled with new windows and shutters in about 1885—when Samuel Tressler, John Fosselman and Peter E. Smith were trustees. In 1902, the old box-pews were replaced with a more modern design and the supporting beam and posts were removed. In 1913 the belfry and bell (weighing 945 lbs.) were added. A pulpit recess was built in 1926.

One of the early pastors of the Evangelical Association, at Milford, was one named Irvine or a similar name, whose three infants were among the earliest, if not the first burials in the Milford graveyard. The tradition was passed down to us through Miss Catharine A. Tressler and Mrs. Sarah J. Hohnshildt who cared for the three graves as long as they were in position to do so. The earliest recorded burial in that graveyard was in 1844. Burial was permitted several years prior to the time of the sale of the plot by George and Agnes Houtz, to the trustees of Ebenezer meeting house.

In 1865, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Fetzner lived in the present T. L. Toomey home and Rev. Morris and his family occupied a part of the house. He was serving a portion of the congregation while at the same time Rev. Aurand of Elliottsburg was serving the other portion.

John Kline, one of the early supporters until 1869, was a son of Henry Kline, one of the original members of Lebanon Reformed congregation at Loysville, who later became a preacher in the Church of God. His mother, Mary Magdalena Scheibly, was also of the Loysville Reformed Church. John Kline's wife was Catharine Fleisher, a daughter of George II and Sarah (Borrell) Fleisher of Lebanon Lutheran church at Loysville.

Following are the pastors of the Elliottsburg Evangelical church, Perry Circuit: J. M. Brader, 1881-82; J. F. Shultz, 1882-83; J. W. Bentz, 1883-85; George Josephs, 1885-87; W. W. Rhoads and William Minsker, 1887-88; W. W. Rhoads, 1889; J. R. Sechrist, 1889-92; H. T. Searle, 1892-95; E. L. Kessler, 1895-97; A. S. Baumgardner and W. J. Dice, 1897-98; A. S. Baumgardner, 1899; J. H. Hertz, 1899-1903; A. L. Burkett, 1903-05; W. M. Sanner, 1905-06; C. W. Hipple, 1906-10; M. T. Crouch, 1910-13; Earl P. Markel, 1913-15; W. E. Smith, 1915-20; L. E. Teter, 1920-22; D. P. Smeltzer, 1922-26; J. A. Corle, 1926-31; C. R. Loss, 1931-33; J. P. Sheesley, 1933-38; H. R. Sites, 1938-39.

LEESBURG

This charge is located in the Cumberland Valley near Shippensburg, Cumberland County, Pa. There is no record available beyond 1872, when S. P. Remer was the pastor of Leesburg Charge. The appointments were Leesburg and Big Springs.

In 1875 a congregation was started and a church built at Cleversburg, during the pastorate of H. A. Stoke.

In 1880 an Evangelical Sunday school was organized at Walnut Bottom, called Jacksonville, where worship was conducted in a store-room. In 1885 a church was built by J. W. Bentz, pastor. The appointments at this time were Leesburg, Jacksonville and Cleversburg. The first church was built at Leesburg; the date is not available. A parsonage was purchased more than fifty years ago in Leesburg.

About 1922 Mt. Hope Appointment was detached from Bloserville Charge and added to Leesburg Charge. The charge was formally located on Carlisle District; it now belongs on Lewisburg District.

Pastors who served from 1872 are as follows: S. P. Remer, 1872-74; H. A. Stoke, 1874-76; J. M. Ettinger, 1876-77; H. W. Gross, 1877-81; J. F. Shultz, 1881-82; J. Boas, 1882-83; S. M. Mountz, 1883-85; J. W. Bentz, 1885-89; W. W. Rhoads, 1889-93; E. S. Kessler, 1893-94; G. Hunter, 1894-95; J. H. Furner, 1895-97; L. E. Crumbling, 1897-1901; W. E. Brillhart, 1901-04; J. I. Craul, 1904-06; J. M. Price, 1906-08; H. T. Searle, 1908-11; M. E. Bartholomew, 1911-13; F. H. Sanders, 1913-18; J. E. Newcomer, 1918-20; B. G. Hoffman, 1920-27; F. H. Foss, 1927-34; D. P. Smeltzer, 1934-38; J. F. Rohrbaugh, 1938-39.

Present church membership, 325; Sunday-school enrollment, 426. Therman R. Husler was licensed from Leesburg in 1924.

LEMOYNE

The Grace church of the Evangelical Church of Lemoyne, Cumberland County, Pa., was started under the direction of the pastor of the Harris Street church, Harrisburg, Pa. As the community on the west shore of the Susquehanna River, opposite Harrisburg, developed, Rev. S. L. Wiest had a vision of a growing Evangelical church here and suggested it to some of the residents.

The pastor of the Harris Street church of Harrisburg coöperated with those interested in arousing enthusiasm for the project, securing funds and erecting the first building which was dedicated by Bishop W. M. Stanford. The church organization was formed on October 9, 1893, with eighteen members. The first Sunday school was organized on October 15, 1893, with an enrollment of more than one hundred members.

Grace church was supplied with pastors from the Harrisburg Mission until 1897 when the East Pennsylvania Conference began appointing pastors to serve the charge. At the General Conference held in Williamsport, Pa., October, 1902, a change in boundary line was effected which placed Grace church in the Central Pennsylvania Conference. It is located on the Lewisburg District.

The rapid growth of Grace church and the splendid spirit of consecration and sense of stewardship of its members enabled it to become a self-supporting station under the pastorate of E. D. Keen in 1913.

The following ministers have served the charge: (East Pennsylvania Conference) D. M. Metzger, 1897-98; I. E. Johnson, 1898-1900; W. S. Harris, 1900-03; (Central Pennsylvania Conference) A. H. Irvine, 1903-07; S. P. Remer, 1907-09; W. B. Cox, 1909-11; E. D. Keen, 1911-15; H. T. Searle, 1915-19; E. Crumblin, 1919-23; C. W. Finkbinder, 1923-December, 1926; W. E. Peffley (supplied), December, 1926-March, 1927; W. I. Shambaugh, 1927-32; Reed O. Steely, 1932-39; C. Carroll Bailey, 1939.

The rapid growth of Lemoyne presented a real challenge to the leaders of Grace church to provide adequate facilities for its expanding needs. With a splendid spirit of devotion, consecration and sacrifice, under capable leadership, the congregation in 1923-24 erected an adequate Sunday-school unit that will accommodate 1,000. The total cost of this unit was \$61,237.35. A very unusual but effective program for financing this project enabled the congregation to pay off this indebtedness with interest by October 14, 1929. (See *Paying the Church Debt*, by W. E. Peffley, D.D.)

The vision of the congregation was now directed to the need of a sanctuary for worship. Ground was broken for the auditorium on May 15, 1933, and on December 27, 1933, the board of trustees accepted the completed building for the congregation.

The total cost of the auditorium and parsonage, with minor improvements to the Sunday-school building, amounted to \$73,730.63. The net indebtedness at this writing, July, 1939, is approximately \$28,000.

The blessings of God have attended the united efforts of the Grace congregation at Lemoyne as they have accepted his challenge to "Go Forward." While giving with consecration and sacrifice to the build-

ing enterprises of the local church, the congregation has supported the institutions of the general church with steadily increasing offerings. The membership of the church has increased to 617 and that of the Sunday school to 870.

With well-equipped physical facilities and a consecrated, loyal and trained staff of workers, we hopefully face the future, praying God to keep us ever in his will as we move forward to meet the challenging problems of our day and the demands of our growing community.

LEWISBURG

Lewisburg was started as a mission in 1860. A church building was begun the first year and finished the second year. At the Central Pennsylvania Conference held at New Kingston, in March of 1867, Lewisburg Mission was made a station, and Josiah Bowersox appointed as pastor.

The first statistical report of the Sunday school is as follows: "One School with 18 teachers and officers, and 140 scholars." The present Sunday school has an enrollment of 664, and an average attendance of 423.

The present building, which includes the parsonage, was built in 1915-16, under the pastorate of E. Crumbling at a total cost of \$29,874. The church is now, and has been for some years, free of indebtedness. Present membership is 671.

The first W. M. S. was organized January 24, 1889, with Mrs. A. J. Hollenbaugh as president, and Miss Almeida Smith, vice-president.

On June 20, 1890, the Central Pennsylvania Conference Branch of the W. M. S. was organized in the Lewisburg church, with Mrs. W. E. Detwiler, president, and Mrs. J. H. Thomas, vice-president.

F. L. Dershem, many years superintendent of the Sunday school, served as an honored member of the state and also of the United States Congress.

This appointment has come to be known as the "Jerusalem" of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. Many sessions of the conference were held here; especially important was the 1922 session which enthusiastically adopted the Basis of Union with the Evangelical Association.

The ministers having served are as follows: George Hunter, 1860; Simon Wolf, 1861-62; C. F. Deininger, 1863; Jacob Hartzler, 1864; A. H. Irvine, 1865-66; Josiah Bowersox, 1867-68; A. H. Irvine, 1869; I. M. Pines, 1870-71; G. E. Zehner, 1872-73; W. E. Detwiler, 1874; J. G. M. Swengel, 1875-76; Z. Hornberger, 1877; W. M. Corman, 1878-80; B. Hengst, 1881-82; Edwin Swengel, 1883-84; Jacob Young, 1885-86; J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1887-89; A. H. Irvine, 1890; E. Crumbling, 1891-93; C. W. Finkbinder, 1894-96; J. F. Dunlap,

1897-1900; J. W. Thompson, 1901-04; L. S. Reichard, 1905-06; J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1906-10; W. H. Brown, 1910-14; E. Crumbling, 1914-19; J. D. Shortess, 1919-24; W. J. Dice, 1924-31; J. W. Thompson, 1931-34; J. H. Fleckenstine, 1934-39; E. C. Basom, 1939.

MARYSVILLE

Marysville is the metropolis of Perry County and was taken up as a preaching place by the Evangelicals sometime between 1850 and 1860. The first service was held in a schoolhouse. The first church was built in 1866 during the pastorate of S. Aurand. It was then an appointment on Perry Circuit and later a part of Fishing Creek Charge. The present fine church building was erected under the pastoral supervision of J. F. Dunlap in 1896. From 1879 Newport and Marysville were served jointly for a number of years and for some years Marysville was served with what is now Keystone. Marysville became a station in 1898. Revs. J. F. Dunlap, C. W. Finkbinder, W. H. Lilley, D. L. Kepner, L. E. Crumbling, I. N. Bair, W. E. Detwiler, Lester A. Fuhrman, C. D. Pewterbaugh, Lyman M. Dice, Harry Minsker, W. C. Hoch and A. D. Gramley have served as pastors since 1896. The parsonage was built under D. L. Kepner's administration. The church membership is 191 and the Sunday school has an enrollment of 265. There is no indebtedness and the average per member contributed for all purposes in 1938-39, the centennial jubilee year, was \$18.60. The Rev. W. E. Peffley, D.D., editor of the Sunday-school Literature of the Evangelical Church, is a product of this congregation.

MECHANICSBURG

Grace Evangelical church of Mechanicsburg, in Cumberland County, had its beginning in 1903, when A. H. Irvine was pastor at Lemoyne. The first preaching service was held by him in the home of the now sainted Father John Shover. For some weeks following this service, meetings were held regularly in the little Union Chapel on Main Street. A little later however, the building used by the Radical United Brethren church and located on West Coover Street was purchased. This church was dedicated November 9, 1903, by Bishop W. M. Stanford as the Grace United Evangelical church. In March, 1904, Mechanicsburg became a mission and R. C. Walker became its first pastor. Upon his arrival on his new charge, he found ten individuals on the list of members handed him. The present membership, as reported to the last annual conference, is 275.

The Sunday school was organized March 17, 1904, with an enrollment of 18. The present enrollment is 323.

In 1912 under the leadership of B. L. Moore, the chapel on Coover Street was sold and a brick church, located at the corner of Arch and Locust Streets was purchased from the congregation of the United Brethren in Christ. Extensive repairs and improvements were made to this building during the next pastorate, that of L. M. Dice, who is now retired and a member of this congregation.

During the pastorate of D. L. Kepner, also retired and a member of this congregation, the present parsonage located at 39 East Locust Street was purchased.

Growth had continued steadily from the beginning, and our people soon began to look forward to the time when their church plant would be inadequate to meet the needs of the congregation. With this in mind, during the pastorate of J. D. Shortess, the plot of ground located at the corner of Market and Simpson Streets, together with the frame dwelling thereon and the adjoining apartment house, was purchased for approximately \$13,000.

Under the leadership of the present pastor, I. W. Moyer, ground was broken for a new church at this location, Sunday, January 5, 1936. The cornerstone was laid April 26, 1936, and a beautiful new church, complete with Sunday-school unit, Gothic in style, constructed of local limestone with Indiana limestone trim, was dedicated by Bishop J. S. Stamm, D.D., on September 20, 1936, at a cost of \$43,699.91.

Grace Evangelical church, Mechanicsburg, originally a mission located on the Carlisle District, now located on the Lewisburg District, became a station in 1928.

The following ministers have served this appointment: A. H. Irvine, 1903; R. C. Walker, 1904-07; J. Hartzler, 1908-09; B. L. Moore, 1910-12; L. M. Dice, 1913-16; D. L. Kepner, 1917-21; W. B. Cox, 1922-23; J. D. Shortess, 1924-30; C. E. Hewett, 1930-34; I. C. Shearer (supply), 1934; I. W. Moyer, 1935-39.

MEXICO

Many of the facts concerning the church here are lost or mislaid and cannot be found, so this history is not as complete as we desire it to be.

Tuscarora Mission was established in 1848 and served in connection with Perry Circuit; later on it was called Juniata Circuit. Levi Hummelsheim was the first pastor of this mission. It was known as Tuscarora Mission of Susquehanna District of the West Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Association. As Juniata Circuit, it comprised the following appointments: Liverpool, Hunter's Valley, Bethlehem, St. James, Zion, Thompsontown, Locust Run, Mexico (Tuscarora), and several other places. Records were not as defi-

nately kept as in later years, and so many items of interest are wanting. In the time of the division in 1891 to 1894 the earlier records may have been taken over by the Association and so we have no access to much that we desire. Nor have we records at hand between the years 1865 to 1869, but as nearly as we can discover the following facts may be vital. The preachers who served this large field were as follows:

Levi Hummelsheim, 1848-50; S. W. Seibert, 1850-53; D. W. Miller, 1853-56; P. Graham, 1856-59; D. Kepner, 1859-60; S. D. Bennington, 1860-64; H. A. Stoke, 1864-65; no record at hand for 1865-69; J. Bear, 1869-71; J. M. King, 1871-72; A. W. Kramer, 1872-74; H. N. Greninger, 1874-75; J. A. Hetner, 1875-76; R. W. Runyan, 1876-78; George Josephs, 1878-79; B. E. Keller, 1879-80; L. K. Harris, 1880-82; J. M. Longsdorf, 1882-83; E. D. Keen, 1883-86; S. M. Mountz, 1886-89; J. P. Buchner, 1889-91; G. L. Maice, 1891-94; the church in Mexico was built in 1891 and the Bethlehem church was built in 1893, both by G. L. Maice; W. E. Bierly, 1894-98; S. E. Davis, 1898-1900; H. H. Douty, 1900; Brother Douty died in August, 1900 and was succeeded by John M. Price, who served the balance of the year and was appointed to the charge until 1902; L. K. Harris, 1902-04; W. W. Rhoads, 1904-07; W. K. Shultz, 1907-10; J. M. Price, 1910-14 (this was the last charge served by Brother Price; here he located on account of bodily infirmities and later in 1916 passed to his eternal reward); N. J. Dubs, 1914-19; I. K. Baker, 1919-21; J. H. Welch, 1921-26; L. E. Crumbling, 1926-33; C. R. Loss, 1933-37; J. F. Bingman, 1937-39.

Mexico Mission now constitutes five appointments as follows: Mexico, Locust Run, Bethlehem, St. James and St. John's. All are located in Juniata County. Membership reported at last conference, 1939: Mexico, 83; Locust Run, 103; Bethlehem, 58; St. James, 31; St. John's, 65. Total, 340.

The Locust Run church gave to the Gospel ministry one young man in the person of Carl E. Portzline licensed in 1923 at conference held in York Trinity church. He was appointed to East Point in March, 1926, and served this field very acceptably one year. He passed to his eternal reward on October 4, 1928. His widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Mangle and their two children are active workers in the Locust Run church. J. W. M. Burris, present Sunday-school superintendent and steward of Grace Evangelical church, Mexico, Pa., was elected in the fall of 1938 to the State Legislature at Harrisburg. He is a prominent citizen of the local community and an active worker in the local church.

MIDDLEBURG

From meager sources it has been learned that services were being conducted as early as 1856 by ministers and local preachers of the Evangelical church. A promissory note dated 1872 which reads:

"We, the Trustees of the Pine Grove church, etc.," reveals the name of an appointment at that time.

Records of 1894 give the following appointments then on the charge: Shriners, Smith Grove, Paxtonville, Middleburg, Salem, Zion and Hummels. Gradually these appointments were absorbed by other charges or they were abandoned. The last of the appointments to be abandoned was Kreamer, leaving now Paxtonville and Middleburg comprising the charge. Several years ago Daniels and Richfield were added to the charge but these appointments were and are being served by ministers other than the Middleburg pastor.

Records reveal the following brethren have served since 1871: S. E. Davis, S. Yearick, D. W. Miller, S. Smith, C. F. Deninger, H. W. Gross, W. H. Stover, C. V. B. Aurand, S. Aurand, J. D. Stover, J. H. Hertz, J. Shambach, J. Womeldorf, W. C. Hoch, A. C. Price, S. A. Snyder, W. H. Lilley, A. C. Paulhamus, R. S. Starr, Wm. O'Donnell, L. A. Fuhrman and W. N. Smeltzer. The brethren, Kreamer, Farnsworth, Anthony, S. I. Shortess, Metzger, Burkett, Weirich have served as junior preachers and local preachers.

The charge now numbers nearly 300 souls and is a most loyal and earnest Evangelical group.

MIFFLIN

In the spring of 1874, Rev. Seibert of Newport secured a lot of ground on the corner of Foster and Licking Streets, Mifflin, Pa., from Mr. William Conner. The Union Sunday school of the town was helping by contributing liberally to a fund for the purpose of building a place of worship. The church was erected in the summer of 1874, and the Sunday school moved in. Sometime after this the present Sunday school was organized. Thus the Evangelical Church gained a foothold in this community. Several members of our faith had come to this town and were very glad to aid in organizing the congregation. Wilson J. Zeiders was one of the most active and continued for many years to be a great leader. His sons and daughter and their children are with the congregation these many years after their father's work has ceased. His influence still moves on.

Others of the influential members who helped organize and build up the congregation were as follows: J. R. M. Fink, George W. Kelley and wife Mrs. Sallie Kelley, W. P. Cubbison and wife, James A. Casner and wife, Mrs. Miriam Landis, and others. The congregation continued to grow with a flourishing Sunday school and other organizations, and worshiped in the old church for 50 years, when it became necessary to build a new church and Sunday-school room.

In 1922 H. C. Guthrie was appointed pastor. He immediately set to work to find a proper location and, with the trustees and congregation, the present site was unanimously selected, and the owner,

O. E. Zeiders, was consulted. A purchase was finally consummated by the pastor and trustees, and a building fund started. Because of failing health, Rev. Guthrie located in the spring of 1925 and E. Fulcomer was appointed by the conference to carry the project to completion. In April, 1926, the erection of the church and parsonage was begun and was completed with all its departments and dedicated to the service of God on February 20, 1927, by Bishop M. T. Maze, of Harrisburg, Pa. The total cost was \$38,000.

The list of pastors is as follows: Mifflin, S. W. Seibert, 1873-74; Lewistown-Patterson, Z. Hornberger, 1875-76; Newport-Patterson, G. W. Currin, 1877-78; Newport-Patterson, G. E. Zehner, 1879-81; Lewistown-Patterson, S. W. Seibert, 1882; C. W. Finkbinder, 1883-84; Newport-Patterson, E. Swengel, 1885-86; J. C. Reeser, 1887-88; Lewistown-Patterson, S. P. Remer, 1889; Patterson, G. E. Zehner, 1890; W. N. Wallis, 1891-93; W. B. Cox, 1894; J. D. Shortess, 1895-97; S. E. Koontz, 1898-1900; J. Womeldorf, 1901-02; S. S. Mumey, 1903-04; Mifflin, D. A. Artman, 1905-08; J. F. Shultz, 1909-11; H. W. Buck, Jr., 1912-13; W. H. Lilley, 1914-17; J. R. Sechrist, 1918-21; H. C. Guthrie, 1922-24; E. Fulcomer, 1925-32; G. W. Speake, 1932-36; H. R. Wilkes, 1936-39.

This charge has always been a mission. The present church membership is 220, and the Sunday-school enrollment, 330.

Rev. S. M. Short, former missionary to China for seven years, who with his wife went out from this church, has always been a member of this church.

The Juniata River flood at the beginning of the pastorate of H. R. Wilkes, 1936, brought to all great discouragement; but by a sustained effort, \$2,493 was raised in money to pay in full the rehabilitation of the property.

MIFFLINBURG

Mifflinburg. The session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference held in Red Lion, March, 1901, took up this mission. C. C. Mizener was appointed as the first missionary. On April 3, 1901, the church property was purchased from the Presbyterians for \$1,800. The first service was held April 7, 1901, at 2:30 p. m. with the pastor in charge, assisted by a male quartette from Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin. S. P. Remer was then presiding elder. The first Sunday-school session was held July 7, and on August 25 the Sunday school was organized. On July 28, 1901, seven charter members were received. The congregation grew and property improvements were made from time to time. In 1910 under the pastorate of W. C. Hoch, the present parsonage, two doors from the church, was purchased for \$2,000. In 1928 an addition was built to the church, to be used for Sunday school and social purposes, at an approximate cost of \$1,800. In 1933 the church was redecorated, new pews in-

stalled, gallery and choir loft built at a cost of \$2,000. All debts have been paid and the property is in good repair. The Sunday-school enrollment is 256 and the church membership, 205.

The following pastors served: C. C. Mizener, 1901-05; E. C. Basom, 1905-08; W. C. Hoch, 1908-12; H. R. Wilkes, 1912-15; N. Young, 1915-19; N. J. Dubs, 1919-26; M. W. Stahl, 1926-30; G. L. Reeser, 1930-39.

Dice. This church, located two miles south of Mifflinburg, was formerly a part of the New Berlin charge, later attached to Penn's Creek charge, and in 1928 became a part of Mifflinburg mission, M. W. Stahl, pastor. It is located in a rural community, with a Sunday-school enrollment of 60 and a church membership of 33.

Mountain Chapel. This historic church was built in 1879 as a part of New Berlin charge. In its early days leadership was furnished by the students and faculty of Central Pennsylvania College. In 1920 it became a part of Mifflinburg mission and has a constituency of about fifty people and a church membership of 17.

MILTON

At the annual conference in New Kingston, March, 1867, Milton was taken up as a mission and Samuel E. Davis was appointed as the pastor. Not long after this, with a small membership, an old church owned by the Lutheran people and situated on Mahoning Street, was bought for \$2,500. In 1869 I. M. Pines became the pastor and served one year. In 1870 A. H. Irvine was appointed pastor. There was a membership of 40 and an indebtedness of about \$1,700. This financial burden seemed to be rather heavy under the circumstances. Besides this the church building was in an unsafe condition, so the property was sold at the same price as had been paid for it. The congregation reserved the pews, chairs, carpet, and some other furnishings. The indebtedness was paid off and a lot on Lower Market Street was purchased for \$1,200. The building standing on that lot was repaired and fitted up as a place of worship, using the furnishings reserved from the old church that was sold. This seems to have been a wise move and the congregation began to develop quite rapidly.

In 1871 West Milton and a part of New Columbia Circuit were added to Milton Mission and J. A. Hetner was appointed to serve as junior preacher with Brother Irvine. In 1872 J. M. Brader was appointed as junior preacher to serve that year with A. H. Irvine. H. B. Hartzler and A. W. Bower served in 1873. In 1874 A. W. Shenberger with a junior preacher—name unknown—were appointed. During this year the first church on the Lower Market Street site

was built. In 1875 some changes were made in boundaries and the appointing of a junior preacher was discontinued. Brother Shenberger served this year alone, 1875-76. S. T. Buck served in 1877 and 1878, and S. P. Remer in 1879 and 1880.

In the great Milton fire of May, 1880, the church was destroyed.

In 1881, H. A. Stoke was appointed pastor and served two years. A new two-story church was built. J. A. Irvine served in 1883-84; C. W. Finkbinder, 1885-86; A. H. Irvine, 1887-90; G. W. Currin, 1890; H. W. Gross, 1891-93; M. F. Fosselman, 1893-97 (during his pastorate a new church became a necessity because of a great flood); J. W. Messinger, 1897-99; D. L. Kepner, 1899-1903; J. D. Shortess, 1903-07. In 1907, W. I. Shambaugh was appointed and served one year, having been appointed to serve as a missionary in China. A. F. Weaver, 1909-12; I. E. Spangler, 1912-16; M. A. Kennelley, 1916-21; J. F. Hower, 1921-24; W. B. Cox, 1924-25 and was elected Presiding Elder; C. C. Bailey, 1925-27. C. B. Snyder was appointed in 1927, but during the month of December relinquished his pastoral relations at Milton and W. E. Peffley was appointed to take charge of the work for the rest of the conference year; Reed O. Steely, 1928-32. During Brother Steely's pastorate the fine new church building on the corner of Lower Market and Garfield Avenue was built at the cost of a little more than \$100,000. A. D. Gramley was appointed in the spring of 1932 and served four years. He was followed in 1936 by W. I. Shambaugh, who is the present pastor.

The four most successful revivals of the church were: 1887, A. H. Irvine, pastor, 295 conversions; 1893, M. F. Fosselman, pastor, 156 conversions; 1902, D. L. Kepner, pastor, 150 conversions; 1929, Reed O. Steely, pastor, 145 conversions.

From the First Evangelical church, Milton, these three brethren entered the ministry and are now serving in this conference: William O'Donnell, Joseph H. Miller and Harry A. DeWire.

MT. HOLLY SPRINGS

The Mt. Holly Springs Charge located in Cumberland and Adams Counties consists of three churches: Uriah, Mt. Holly Springs and Idaville. This charge has been thus situated for the past twelve years. Previous to this time these churches had been located with several other charges.

The Idaville is the veteran church of the charge, with a history of more than 100 years. It is probable that S. G. Jacobs and J. A. Jacobs began the work here in the year 1835. Nearly 70 ministers have served this church since then. This congregation has built three churches. A stone structure was erected in 1850 and in 1869 was

replaced by a frame building. The present place of worship is a beautiful brick church of Gothic design, built during the pastorate of H. L. Brininger, 1937.

The work at Mt. Holly Springs had its beginning about the year 1870. The first church was built in 1873; here the congregation worshiped until 1891 when the church was completely destroyed by fire. The present structure was erected in the same year under the pastorates of J. W. Bentz and H. W. Bender. In 1905 this congregation purchased a plot of ground and built upon it a parsonage at a cost of \$1,800. The pastor, B. L. Moore, was the first to occupy this home. In 1920 misfortune came again to this church when the whole of the interior was ruined by fire. The same year the pastor, A. M. Jenkins, reported the rebuilding of the interior and new furnishings were installed at a cost of more than \$5,000. In 1938 the pastor, H. L. Brininger, led the congregation in improving and redecorating the church to the extent of nearly \$900.

The Uriah congregation built their first church in 1878; this was a frame structure and was used until 1914 when it was replaced by the present brick building under the pastorate of A. L. Burket. The cost of this church was \$3,694. Since that time this splendid congregation has invested several thousand dollars in improvements such as beautifying the exterior by an attractive wall and shrubbery, the erecting of a balcony and refinishing the interior.

The present membership of this charge is 264 and the Sunday-school enrollment 485. These people have been blessed with splendid revivals through the years. They have given to the church the following servants: R. W. Group, J. E. Newcomer, Mark Herman and M. W. Dayton.

MOUNT ROCK CHARGE

As now constituted, the charge is made up of four churches: Bloserveville, Greason, McAllister's and Mount Rock.

McAllister's Union church is located about four miles west of Carlisle. Preaching was begun here as early as 1840. The first pastor was Martin J. Carothers in 1867 who later became a missionary during the development of the western United States. The first church building was a log structure, erected on the site of the present church; one-half of this building was used as a schoolhouse for some time, but upon the construction of a new school building the partition was removed and the entire building was used as a church. The first Sunday school was organized about 1870 with an attendance of between 80 and 100. This school operated only during the summer months. The log building was later weatherboarded, and in 1912 the

present brick structure was erected. The present church membership is 90 and the Sunday-school enrollment is 150.

Mount Rock church is located about seven miles west of Carlisle. This congregation first met in a small log house at Mount Rock. The occasion of the first meeting was a union Sunday school organized by Miss Deborah McKeegan. The first church building, a brick structure, was erected in 1846. This building was remodeled and rededicated in 1895, and in 1916 the present brick structure was erected. There are now 35 on the church roll and 95 in the Sunday school.

Bloserville (St. Mary's). The Bloserville congregation began its work in Mentzer's schoolhouse, in McClure's Gap, which housed the McClure's Gap Union Sunday school organized May 13, 1855. This building was of stone. After a number of years new quarters were sought, and for three years a dwelling was occupied. In 1884 the present frame structure was erected in Bloserville and was named St. Mary's church. In 1906 this building was repaired. The present membership of the church is 65, and the Sunday-school enrollment, 105.

The Greason church is located in the small village of Greason. The Greason congregation was organized in 1918 during the pastorate of R. H. Dick. The frame building which was purchased for worship had been in use for many years as an academy for the training of school teachers and also as a house of worship for a United Brethren in Christ congregation. There were seven charter members in the congregation and 21 in the Sunday school. At present, there are 25 members in the congregation and 80 in the Sunday school.

Great revivals have taken place in these churches. Outstanding ones are the following: In 1906 during the pastorate of J. M. Price a revival continued for nine or ten weeks and resulted in 85 conversions; in the McAllister's church during the pastorate of C. F. Garrett in 1895; in 1901 during the pastorate of H. S. Basom and B. L. Moore.

Pastors who have served the churches of the Mount Rock Charge: M. J. Carothers; George Carothers; Philip Graham; Jacob Boas; J. F. Shultz; H. S. Basom, 1884-86; H. A. Benfer, 1886-89; J. C. Reeser, 1889-1892; P. W. Group, 1892-93; L. K. Harris, 1893-95; C. F. Garrett, 1895-96; W. Minsker, 1896-98; H. S. Basom, 1898-1902 (assisted by E. C. Basom in 1900 and by B. L. Moore in 1901); A. F. Weaver, 1902-05; W. K. Shultz, 1905-06; R. E. Wilson, 1906-07; H. T. Searle, 1907-09; M. E. Bartholomew, 1909-11; L. A. Fuhrman, 1911-15; R. H. Dick, 1915-20; H. L. Flick, 1920-22; B. L. Moore, 1922-26; J. H. Welch, 1926-27; W. H. Warburton, 1927-29; R. L. Lundy, 1929-34; F. H. Foss, 1934-39; J. P. Reed, 1939.

From 1902-22 Bloserville was a part of the Bloserville charge; during this time the following served: D. P. Shaefer, 1902-04; H. A. Snook, 1904-06;

J. M. Price, 1906-10; I. K. Baker, 1910-13; G. W. Frey, 1913-17; H. M. Wallace, 1917-18; B. G. Hoffman, 1918-21; C. A. Fray, 1921-22.

There are many persons of note and importance who have come from the churches on the Mount Rock Charge: from Bloserveille, W. I. Shambaugh, missionary and minister; C. A. Shambaugh, attorney; J. E. Barrick, osteopath; from Greason: Harold Sites, minister; Mrs. Harold Sites (Grace Sipe); from Mount Rock: Miss Mary Seitz, first wife of R. H. Dick.

NESCOPECK

Our church in Nescopeck dates back to 1878 when Isaiah Bower came from Berwick to hold services in a little brick schoolhouse. This building soon became too small and they moved to a larger schoolroom in another building. In 1881 the first church was built at a cost of \$1,500. In 1882, H. W. Buck, who was preaching in Berwick, was authorized by the conference to oversee the work in Nescopeck; he was assisted by F. S. Voight and J. W. Messinger. From 1885 to 1889, Nescopeck was on the Luzerne Circuit. In 1889 it became a mission and 16 years later, 1905, it became self-supporting. From 1924-28 the Hetlerville church was an addition to the Nescopeck appointment.

The church edifice has been remodeled and expanded several times. In 1889 the original building was enlarged by H. W. Gross. In 1898 the parsonage was built by E. D. Keen. In 1921 the church building was completely remodeled at a cost of \$5,823.46, under the pastorate of I. E. D. Stover. In 1926 a social hall was built by C. B. Snyder at a cost of \$2,600. In 1937 the interior was again renovated by William O. Donnel at a cost of \$3,000.

Since 1891, 1,066 souls have sought and found Christ at our altar; 876 persons have been brought into church membership. Two men have gone out as ministers of the Gospel and are members of our conference: J. R. Schechterly and C. H. Bankes. The work of Mrs. James Noot, as a lay member, has been of particular significance in the local church and in the conference. Prof. Paul E. Keen, D.D., of Naperville Seminary, was converted here during the pastorate of his father.

The present membership is 150, and the Sunday-school enrollment, 225. The charge became self-supporting in 1905.

List of pastors is as follows: Isaiah Bower, 1878-82; H. W. Buck, F. S. Voight and J. W. Messinger, 1882-85; M. L. Fosselman, Luzerne Circuit, 1885-88; H. W. Gross and G. L. Maice, Luzerne Circuit, 1888-89; H. W. Gross, 1889-91; M. F. Fosselman, 1891-93; J. F. Dunlap, 1893-96; M. I. Jamison, 1896-98; E. D. Keen, 1898-1902; D. F. Young, 1902-06; E. B.

Dunn, 1906-09; L. M. Dice, 1909-13; W. J. Campbell, 1913-17; C. W. Finkbinder, 1917-20; I. E. D. Stover, 1920-25; C. B. Snyder, 1925-27; C. D. Pewterbaugh, 1927-32; J. F. Hower, 1932-36; William O. Donnell, 1936-38; W. A. Bartges, 1938-39.

NEWPORT

Newport Mission as it is now constituted consists of the following appointments: Newport (Calvary), Milford, Liverpool, and Hunter's Valley (Union), on the Lewisburg District.

The churches at Newport and Milford came as the result of very successful revivals during the years 1833-1838, culminating in the formation of Perry Circuit.

The first church building erected was the Ebenezer meeting house at Milford on a tract of land purchased in 1844 from Isaac Murphy and wife and deeded to George Houts, Frederick Dum, Jr., and Daniel Lesh, Sr., trustees. The church was built the same year.

Newport came into possession of one-fourth share of the building on Walnut Street in 1869 but later bought entire building. In 1914 this congregation built a new church structure at the corner of North Fourth and Oliver Streets.

Other appointments formerly belonging to this charge but now discontinued were Donnelly's Mills, Losh's Run and Bailey's. In 1933 Liverpool and Hunter's Valley were added. These churches are located along the Susquehanna River 14 and 9 miles respectively east of Newport. The work at Liverpool began probably about 1860. In 1867 the church was built during the pastorate of D. W. Miller. Hunter's Valley was built in 1865. This is a union church in which we are working together with the Lutheran people.

The following pastors have served this charge: *Perry Circuit*: S. W. Seibert, D. W. Miller, M. Sloat, H. A. Dietrich, U. F. Swengel, *Newport, Marysville and Rye Twp.*: R. W. Runyan, A. Stapleton, G. W. Currin, G. E. Zehner, P. S. Orwig, E. Swengel, J. C. Reeser. *Newport and Marysville*: S. P. Remer, 1890-93; B. Hengst, 1893-95; H. H. Douty, 1895-96; J. F. Dunlap, 1896-97; C. W. Finkbinder, 1897-99. *Newport*: W. J. Dice, 1898-99; George Joseph 1899-1901; J. T. Pettit, 1901-04; C. I. Raffensperger, 1904-05; A. F. Weaver, 1905-08; W. H. Brown, 1908-09; E. Fulcomer, 1910-14; M. W. Stahl, 1914-19; W. K. Shultz, 1919-23; I. C. Shearer, 1923-27; S. E. Koontz, 1927-33; H. F. Springman, 1933-38; L. A. Fuhrman, 1939. *Milford*: J. M. Brader, 1881-82; J. F. Shultz, 1882-83; J. W. Bentz, 1883-85; George Joseph, 1885-87; W. W. Rhoads, 1887-89; W. Minsker, 1888; J. R. Sechrist, 1889-92; H. T. Searle, 1892-95; E. L. Kessler, 1895-97; A. S. Baumgardner, 1897-99; W. J. Dice, 1898-99; J. H. Hertz, 1899-1903; A. L. Burkett, 1903-05; W. M. Sanner, 1905-06; C. W. Hipple, 1906-10; M. T. Crouch, 1910-13; Earl P. Markel, 1913-15; W. E. Smith, 1915-20; L. E. Teter, 1920-22; D. P. Smeltzer, 1922-26; J. A. Corle, 1926-31. This was added to Newport in 1931. *Liverpool*: D. W. Miller, 1866-68; P. Graham, 1868-69; S. D. Bennington, 1869-71; D. A. Kepner, 1871-73; H. N. Grenninger, 1872-73; J. M. Price, 1873-75; J. M. Ettinger, 1875-76; A. W. Kreamer, 1876-78; George Joseph

and B. F. Keller, 1878-79; S. W. Seibert, 1879-81; W. H. Lilley, 1881-82; J. M. Dick, 1882-84; H. A. Benfer, 1884-86; E. D. Keen, 1886-88; P. F. Jarrett, 1888-89; W. C. Bierly, 1889-91; D. P. Shaeffer, 1891-93; J. H. Welch, 1893-95; H. T. Searle, 1895-98; E. W. Koontz, 1898-1900; W. J. Dice, 1900-03; J. W. Bentz, 1903-05; F. H. Foss, 1905-09; A. S. Baumgardner, 1909-11; J. H. Kohler, 1911-13; R. S. Daubert, 1913-15; E. P. Markel, March-September, 1915; C. A. Fray, September, 1915-17; A. B. Coleman, 1917-18; G. C. Cramer, 1918-19; M. W. Dayton, 1919-20; J. E. Newcomer, 1920-27; G. W. Frey, 1927-31; P. M. Miller, 1931-32; J. P. Sheesley, 1932-33; H. F. Springman, 1933-38; L. A. Fuhrman, 1939.

NORTHUMBERLAND

October 15, 1911, the first service was held at the corner of 9th and King Streets by F. E. Fisher. The service was conducted in the English language in a private home. The first session of the Sunday school was held October 22, 1911, but was not organized until December 31st. From November 19th till conference the church worship was held in the Orpheum Theater and the Presbyterian church. The class was organized March 4, 1912, at which time the Rev. I. C. Shearer was appointed pastor. The Pastime Theater was rented and prepared for church purposes. Services were held here until the fall when the services were transferred to the Seventh Day Adventist church. The mission worshiped in this church until it moved into its own building. The church had 17 charter members. During the spring of 1913 a plot of ground on the corner of 6th and King Streets was purchased and a neat chapel erected thereon at a total cost of \$3,500. The chapel was dedicated August 17, 1913, by Bishop R. Dubs. J. D. Shortess was the presiding elder and I. C. Shearer, pastor. Membership at the close of 1913 was 50. During the conference year 1914-15 the mission prospered and the membership increased to 111.

The charge is located on the Lewisburg District. It is still a mission congregation.

Following are the pastors who have served this charge: F. E. Fisher, 1911; I. C. Shearer, 1912-16; H. C. Guthrie, 1916-18; J. H. Furner, 1918-22; D. L. Kepner, 1922-24; S. S. Mumey, 1924-28; D. F. Young, 1928-31; J. M. Dick, 1931; May, 1931-34; H. R. Wilkes, 1934-36; C. E. Keafer, 1936-40.

During the years additional lots were purchased adjoining the church property and paid for. The parsonage on Orange Street was also paid. On March 23, 1932, the congregation voted to build a Sunday-school unit to care for the rapidly growing Sunday school. This building was dedicated by Bishop Maze January 1, 1933. Indebtedness \$15,300.

C. E. Keafer was appointed by conference, 1936. On February 15, 1937, preceding the conference session the congregation voted to sell

the old parsonage on Orange Street and use the money received to change the old church building into a parsonage. The pastor drew the plans and supervised the building project and the new parsonage was completed June 1, 1937, at a total cost of \$4,250, which was just \$850 more than we received for the old parsonage. The present membership of the church is 289 and the Sunday-school enrollment is 365 with an average attendance of 300 plus. Present indebtedness—\$14,898.00.

J. A. Corle entered the ministry from the Northumberland church.

PENNS CREEK

Penns Creek was the home of Rev. Daniel Kehr. In his home Jacob Albright preached many times. The first pastor was appointed to serve Penns Creek, then called Centerville, in the year 1856. It was then a part of the Middlecreek Circuit.

Pastors were: George Dellinger, 1856-57; Sebastian Musser, 1858-59; Abraham Krause, 1860-61; Lewis May, 1862-63; Jackson Manbeck, 1864; J. C. Farnsworth, 1865-66; John Creamer, 1867-68; Elias Stambach, 1869-70. In 1870 the first church was erected and made a part of the Middleburg Circuit. S. E. Davis, 1871-72; S. Yearick, 1873-74; D. W. Miller, 1875-76; Abraham Krause, 1877; S. Smith, 1878-79; C. F. Deininger, 1880-82; H. W. Gross, 1883; H. W. Stover, 1884-86; S. Aurand, 1887-89; J. D. Stover, 1890-92; S. Smith, 1893; W. W. Rhoads, 1894-96. In 1897 the Penns Creek Circuit was formed and A. D. Gramley was appointed pastor. The church was rebuilt and Sunday-school room added. A. D. Gramley, 1897; J. M. Price, 1898; G. L. Lovell, 1899; S. Aurand, 1900-01; N. J. Dubs, 1902-04; A. C. Price, 1905-07; A. S. Baumgardner, 1908; B. F. Keller, 1909; G. W. Frey, 1910-13; F. F. Mayer, 1914-17; J. M. Price, 1918; G. C. Cramer, 1919; C. H. Bankes, 1920; B. F. Keller, 1921-24; D. A. Artman, 1925-26; H. M. Texter, 1927; W. L. Kamble, 1928-34; W. E. Grove, 1935-39.

In 1928 the Penns Creek Circuit was merged with several of the appointments of the Millmont Circuit, and as such it is today. There are eight congregations: Penns Creek, Zion, Salem, St. Peter's, White Springs, Millmont, Gleniron and Hironimus.

RANSOM

At the present time Ransom Mission is comprised of two churches, Ransom and Bethel. Several years ago a third church on the circuit (Mt. Valley) was closed and the members transferred to Ransom.

The first meeting held in Ransom was in the year 1858 under the pastorate of Revs. Lewis May and Jacob Hartzler from the Wilkes-Barre Mission, where work started in 1853. At first the friends worshiped in the German Lutheran church which was built in 1854 and stands near the Ransom Home and hospital. In 1859 they left the Lutheran church and started services in the private home of

Sister Gardner. This home was the meeting place of the class until a church was built in 1871. The church was dedicated early in 1872 under the pastorate of S. I. Shortess. Sunday-school work was started in the year 1867.

The Bethel church was built and dedicated under the pastorate of H. H. Douty, February, 1882. This did not prove to be a success, and in 1887 the church was sold to William Swartwood. For a time the Presbyterians held services in the church; and for a period no services were held.

The church came back to the Evangelical Church in 1919 when J. B. McLaughlin was sent to the Ransom Mission. He was invited to preach in the church and on July 22, 1919, the class agreed to join the Ransom class.

The present membership is Bethel 48, Ransom 103.

The pastors having served this mission are: Lewis May and Jacob Hartzler, 1858-59; S. Smith, 1860-62; S. E. Davis, 1862-64; H. A. Dietrich, 1864-66; S. Buck, 1866-68; J. M. Pines, 1868; U. F. Swengel, 1868-69; J. M. Price, 1869-70; W. M. Croman, 1870-71; S. I. Shortess, 1871-73; P. S. Orwig, 1873-75; W. W. Rhoads and J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1875-77; G. L. Burson, 1877-80; H. H. Douty, 1880-82; G. W. Currin, 1882-83; J. M. Longsdorf, 1883-85; J. M. Brader, 1885-88; C. F. Dick, 1888-91; H. A. Stokes, 1891-93; E. E. Shaffer, 1893-96; F. F. Mayer, 1896-1901; B. F. Keller, 1901-05; H. W. Thomas, 1905-07; L. Dice, 1907-11; W. E. Smith, 1911-15; J. B. McLaughlin, 1915-20; F. D. Sherman, 1921-23; L. A. Fuhrman, 1923-28; H. F. Springman, 1928-31; J. A. Corle, 1931-35; M. W. Dayton, 1935-37; I. C. Bailey, Jr., 1937-39.

RINGTOWN

Ringtown Charge, situated along the boundary of the East Pa. and the Central Pa. Conferences, was visited by preachers of both: E. Ely, Solomon Neitz, R. Deisher and others from the East Pa., and W. H. Lilley, J. H. Hertz, M. F. Fosselman from the Central Pa. Conference.

Three of the appointments: Brandonville, Nuremberg and Ringtown are in Schuylkill County, and Davis Chapel is in Columbia County. The Davis Chapel and Nuremberg end of the charge were entered by Central men and the Ringtown and Brandonville end by East Pa. men.

First preaching places were homes, halls and school buildings. Both German and English were used. Brandonville worshiped in a hall, then a union church, now used by the Lutheran congregation, until 1914 when under the pastorate of H. C. Guthrie, they built the present church. The first church in Ringtown was erected in 1870 by James Savitz of the East Pa. Conference. This building was razed. The First U. E. church was built under the pastorate of S. Aurand

in 1895. Rev. Guthrie remodeled this one in 1914. Fire damaged it in 1919 and it was rebuilt under the pastorate of H. C. Kleffel. The first church was built in Nuremberg under the pastorate of W. H. Lilley in 1884. It was remodeled by H. C. Guthrie in 1914. A church was built at Zion Grove under the pastorate of J. H. Hertz in 1880. This building was razed. For some years a Camp Ground was situated between Zion Grove and Davis Chapel.

Davis Chapel was the oldest church on the charge built in or about 1850 under the direction of Samuel Davis when a youth of 15 years.

Brandonville and Ringtown preachers lived at Shenandoah, Ashland, Ringtown and other places when they were on circuits in the East Pa. Conference. Nuremberg and Davis Chapel and Zion Grove preachers lived at Zion Grove and later at Nuremberg. In 1889 the present charge was formed and became a part of the Central Pa. Conference and has continued since that time, only Zion Grove having been discontinued. The pastor lived at Nuremberg until 1918 when he moved to Ringtown where he has resided since; a parsonage having been purchased under the pastorate of H. C. Kleffel. Harry Minsker bought the one at Nuremberg during his pastorate. Houses were rented for the minister until then. All four of the present churches have stained glass windows and three have sloping floors, modern pews, Sunday-school rooms, bells and electric lights.

Samuel Davis, who at the age of 15, built the Davis Chapel, was the father of Mrs. J. Hollenbaugh.

Davis Chapel gave four brothers to the ministry: Samuel Davis, who served here and in Oregon; C. W. Davis, who served in Oklahoma; Wm. Davis and J. H. Davis as a local deacon.

S. S. Mumey, F. L. Teter, J. T. Pettit and Wm. Hoch also came from this charge. Prof. Irvin Seltzer, retired Schuylkill County Superintendent of Schools, was raised in an Evangelical home, and Prof. Neil Harris, at present on the faculty of Albright College, is a native of this charge.

SCRANTON

This mission was begun in the year 1891. Scranton had remained unworked by our church for about fifteen years. The East Pa. Conference had endeavored to establish a work on the Hyde Park side of the city and had built a chapel, but becoming financially involved, they abandoned their work. The church was sold to liquidate the debt. The Central Conference, realizing that as a church we were constantly losing members who moved into Scranton and united with other churches, determined to establish a mission, and J. W. Messenger was appointed to begin the work.

He came to Scranton in March, 1891, and found a few of our Evangelical members. Among them were Brother Jesse Swartz and family, Mrs. M. Brader, widow of Rev. J. Brader of Central Pennsylvania Conference, and her son Ira Brader.

On May 17th, the R. R. Y. M. C. A. Hall, 55 Lackawanna Avenue, was rented and preaching began in the central city every Sunday morning. In late October the missionary heard of a hall at the corner of Capouse Avenue and Marion Street. On November 1st, the Evangelical banner was set up on Green Ridge. The group continued to worship here until the year 1893 when they purchased the lot on which the church now stands. The ground for the new church was broken on October 26, 1893, and the church was completed January 7, 1894. The church was dedicated on January 14, 1894, by Bishop Stanford.

The Sunday-school work began in January, 1892, with three officers and teachers. By the end of the conference year it had grown to five officers and teachers and thirty-five scholars. The present church membership is 67, and the Sunday-school roll stands at 60.

The following are the pastors who have served Zion Mission: J. W. Messenger, 1891-94; G. L. Maice, 1894-97; C. D. Moore, 1897-1900; J. W. Messinger, 1900-03; W. I. Shambaugh, 1903-07; W. E. Peffley, 1907-11; W. N. Fulcomer, 1911-12; J. F. Hower, 1912-16; H. W. Buck, 1916; C. B. Snyder, 1917-18; W. O. Donnell, 1918-23; R. H. Dick, 1923-28; W. L. Flick, 1928; L. A. Fuhrman, 1928-30; W. H. Kelly, 1930-32; C. F. Gunther, 1932-34; C. E. Young, 1934-35; L. L. Stabler, 1935-38; F. A. Kurz, Jr., 1938; I. C. Bailey, Jr., 1939.

SELINGSGROVE

The Selingsgrove mission was organized in the spring of 1930, with Carl Gunther as the first pastor. The mission was comprised of the following appointments: Selingsgrove, Hoover's and Witmer's. Since there was no church building in Selingsgrove, Sunday school and worship services were held in the Odd Fellows Hall until January, 1931, when the newly furnished Sunday-school unit was completed and dedicated by Bishop Maze on January 29, 1931, as the "First Evangelical church."

The approximate cost of the church and parsonage was about \$20,000. The present indebtedness is \$15,913.

In the spring of 1932, H. A. Snook succeeded C. F. Gunther as pastor of the mission, and served until March, 1937. Charles R. Loss, the present pastor, served the appointment since March, 1937.

The Sunday-school enrollment has been steadily increasing, the present enrollment being 173, with an average attendance of 101.

The church membership has increased from the small beginning

in 1930 of 20 to a membership of 107 at present. The pastor is happy to report the present list of prospects numbers 48.

When the work at Selinsgrove was first started in 1930, two churches from the Port Treverton charge were added: Witmer's West (the old original Witmer's church) and Hoover's (known as Grace church).

The Witmer's church we are told, was the first church in Union Township, Snyder County. Missionaries of the Evangelical Association came to Chapman, near Union Township, in 1834 and organized a class consisting of John Strickler, Peter Garman, John Gaugler, John Thornton, Henry Witmer, and Mrs. Samuel Witmer (mother of Judge Witmer). A church was built in 1835, known as the Witmer's church (the nearest church of the Evangelical Association was the church at New Berlin). This church building was used until the year 1908, when a new building was erected during the pastorate of Rev. A. S. Bierley. It was dedicated by Bishop Bowman, November 29, 1908. He preached in German and in English at the dedication services. This building is still used today and is kept in very good condition by the thriving congregation of 72 members, and a Sunday school of 120.

The Port Treverton and Aline churches were added to the Selinsgrove charge in March, 1933. These two congregations and also the Hoover's congregation were organized in 1891. The churches were built in the early 90's during the pastorate of Rev. Davis, who supervised the building of these three churches and also the church known as Witmer's East, now a part of the Hummels Wharf Charge. The present membership of Port Treverton is 60, Aline 58, Hoover's 36.

WEST NANTICOKE MISSION

During the years 1893 and 1894, M. F. Fosselman and C. L. Sones, who were serving other fields, came to West Nanticoke and held services in a schoolhouse. A Sunday school was organized during these years.

In the spring of 1895, West Nanticoke was taken up as a mission by Central Pennsylvania Conference and S. S. Mumey was stationed on the field. During his pastorate (1895-1898) the present church building was erected. At present there are only three original members of the class.

During the pastorate of F. H. Moyer (1921-1927) a modern parsonage was built.

In 1921 the Slocum appointment of Wapwallopen mission was added to West Nanticoke mission.

The present membership is 107 and the Sunday-school enrollment is 150.

The following ministers have served the mission: S. S. Mumey, 1895-98; H. Minsker, 1898-1902; S. S. Mumey, 1902-03; H. R. Wilkes, 1903-06; W. H. Warburton, 1906 to May 1, 1906; Edwin Swengel, till conference, 1907; no minister was appointed in 1907,—the presiding elder sent C. B. Snyder to serve till conference, 1908; E. C. Basom, 1908-09; Geo. W. Frey, Sr., 1909-10; Jacob Hartzler, 1910-11; W. W. Rhoads, 1911-12; J. F. Rohrbaugh, 1912-16; A. C. Paulhamus, 1916-21; F. H. Moyer, 1921-27; D. A. Artman, 1927 to April 1928 when he died; H. S. Entz served the balance of the year to 1930; E. E. Haney, 1930-34; R. L. Freas, 1934-36; J. B. McLaughlin, 1936-39.

WELLSVILLE

This mission is made up of the following appointments: Wells-ville, Red Mount, Mt. Royal. This charge was originally known as the Dillsburg Charge and was made up of the following: Dillsburg, East Berlin, Mt. Pleasant, Smith's Station, Porters Siding, Beavertown, Blooming Grove, and Bowers. In 1886 the charge was divided and Blooming Grove, Mt. Pleasant, and Porters Siding were detached and constituted Blooming Grove Circuit. The remaining appointments made up the Dillsburg Charge. Appointments were added to and taken from until in 1896 the charge constituted the following: East Berlin, Hall, Voltair, Red Mount and Wellsville. Voltair and others were dropped until in 1927 when Mt. Royal, a new appointment, was taken up and the charge was constituted as it stands today. For a while the charge was included in Carlisle District and when that district was discontinued it was transferred to the Lewisburg District.

Wellsville. This congregation had its beginning in 1886. For a while they worshiped in an old schoolhouse which stood near the site of the present building. Finally, in 1908, the present building was constructed, and dedicated by Bishop Rudolph Dubs. This church has a membership at present of 92, and a Sunday-school enrollment of 134.

Red Mount. The Red Mount church was built in 1889 and at that time was known as "The Bowers church." When the church was dedicated the name was changed to "Red Mount." This church was remodeled in the winter of 1937-38 and rededicated on January 30, 1938, by Bishop John S. Stamm. The total cost of remodeling was \$2,100. It is well to note that some outstanding persons came from this community. Possibly the most outstanding was Dr. John Franklin Crowell. Dr. Crowell was born near Kralltown and in early life was converted and joined the church. He took an active part in all the interests of the church. Dr. Crowell was president of Schuylkill College for a while and later became president of Duke University.

He served with outstanding ability in all of these offices. This church has a membership of 59, and a Sunday-school enrollment of 90.

Mt. Royal. This congregation is the newest addition to this charge. In March, 1927, it was taken up as a regular preaching place and added to Wellsville. The first services were held in a stone school-house until Nov. 3, 1928, when the present church building was dedicated. B. L. Moore was the pastor in charge at the time. The present membership numbers 62; the Sunday-school enrollment, 90.

The following pastors served this field: A. F. Weaver, D. P. Sheaffer, J. H. Welch, W. C. Bierly, L. E. Crumbling, W. N. Fulcomer, J. Womelsdorf, C. J. Dick, H. S. Basom, J. M. Price, H. A. Stoke, L. A. Miller, Ralph Smith, L. A. Fuhrman, C. W. Hipple, I. K. Baker, B. L. Moore, M. W. Dayton, L. E. Teter.

WINFIELD

No complete history is available from Winfield congregation. From papers, correspondence and records we glean a few items. The first class was organized prior to the year 1856 in which year the first church was built. The first class was called the Eyer class and Peter Young was the first class leader. The first church stood for fifty years. When its foundation was no longer secure, it was deemed wise to replace it with a new one. The new church was built under the pastorate of Rev. S. E. Koontz and dedicated by Bishop Fouke in 1907. The old Winfield Furnace Company donated the lot upon which the first church stood, and in addition contributed two hundred dollars.

In 1938 the basement of the church was remodeled, an entirely new concrete floor was laid, room enlarged, steel girders replacing old brick columns, a kitchen, a new furnace room and a new modern steam heating plant for heating the entire building. This change was made under the pastorate of Rev. I. K. Baker. Winfield appointment was one time part of the old New Berlin Charge, but under the pastorate of S. E. Koontz it became a charge and a parsonage was purchased in Winfield; later on in 1936 it burned down. Under the pastorate of C. E. Keafer a new and modern parsonage was built. Kratzerville was added and the charge consists of these two appointments.

Pastors who served from 1907: S. E. Koontz, 1907-10; G. S. Albright, 1911-14; R. S. Starr, 1915-20; H. A. Snook, 1920-27; William O'Donnell, 1927-30; C. I. Raffensberger followed O'Donnell but on account of ill health served only two weeks to be followed by C. E. Keafer, 1930-36; I. K. Baker, 1936-39.

Present membership of the charge is 233. Present Sunday-school enrollment is 234. A. L. Reeser was the pastor when the first church was built. The present church stands on the same site.

(Williamsport District)

ALTOONA (FIRST) CHURCH

Altoona and vicinity was taken up as a mission by the Central Pennsylvania Conference March, 1896, A. Stapleton, D.D., P. E., and J. W. Zuber supplied the mission to the end of the conference year. W. M. Sanner was appointed in 1897, residing at Bellwood and preaching in Altoona, in a hall located at Seventh Avenue and Twelfth Street, two blocks from the present location on Sixth Avenue and Eleventh Street, on the third floor. In 1898, Altoona (First) was constituted a mission and J. A. Hollenbaugh was appointed. The plot of ground and building was purchased from the Catholic bishop, the building remodeled and adapted for worship service and Sunday school. He organized a class with 13 charter members which was increased to 94 members during his pastorate. He also built the parsonage adjoining the church, which has been the home of the following pastors: M. I. Jamison, M. A. Kennelly, W. B. Cox, W. J. Campbell, D. F. Young, I. E. D. Stover, E. Fulcommer, F. L. Teter, C. W. Pewterbaugh, C. H. Loyer and H. C. Kleffel.

During the pastorate of C. D. Pewterbaugh the debt on the property was paid and a substantial building fund started. Under the pastorate of C. H. Loyer the new church was built. A number of outstanding revivals were held during these years, and the church has a standing in the community of churches for its fine type of Christian men and women, but, as in all railroad towns, they are here today and tomorrow in another city. The present membership is 166.

Bellwood. At the annual conference session of 1896 the following resolution was adopted: "That Altoona and adjacent territory be taken up as a mission to be supplied as soon as practicable." A. Stapleton, D.D., P. E., surveyed the territory and found 12 members at Bellwood who were willing to unite with the church and support a minister.

J. W. Zuber supplied the work to the end of the year at Altoona and Bellwood. In 1897 W. M. Sanner was appointed to Altoona and vicinity, residing at Bellwood, preaching at Altoona, Pine Croft and Bellwood, starting the churches at Pine Croft and Bellwood. In 1898 A. D. Gramley was appointed to Bellwood, continuing the building of the church. C. F. Garret was appointed in 1900, completing the church and built a substantial parsonage.

The following have served as pastor in the order named: W. N. Fulcomer, J. F. Shultz, J. R. Sechrist, L. C. Cooper, I. E. D. Stover, D. A. Artman, R. H. Dick, F. H. Foss, J. H. Furner, B. F. Heiser.

At the 1933 conference session, Bellwood was added to Altoona (First), and has been served by H. C. Kleffel, 1933-39. The congregation at no time has been large, but has made a spiritual contribution to the community, and at the same time brings a ministry to a group that would not be reached by the other denominations.

ALTOONA (GRACE)

Grace Evangelical church of Altoona is located at Tenth Avenue and Third Street, in the Juniata section of the city. The annual conference of 1906 held at Milton, Pa., established a mission in Juniata, and appointed M. C. Jacobs as pastor. The first meeting for Sunday school and worship was held in the school building on May 6, 1906, with twelve persons present. The Church Extension Society purchased three lots at the present location and a Sunday-school building was erected. The first service in the new building was held on January 20, 1907, with nineteen at Sunday school and twenty-one at worship. The building was dedicated on January 27, 1907, by Bishop W. M. Stanford. In 1925 an auditorium was added to the original building. This church has always been a mission and carries an indebtedness of \$18,000 on the auditorium. There are 172 members with a Sunday-school enrollment of 191. It was originally on the Centre District, but since 1920 it has been on the Williamsport District.

It has been served by the following pastors: M. C. Jacobs, 1906; I. S. Shultz, 1907-10; W. E. Peffley, 1911-14; S. P. Remer, 1915-19; R. S. Daubert, 1920-22; C. C. Mizener, 1923-27; A. M. Jenkins, 1928-32; H. R. Wilkes, 1933; A. Ward Campbell, 1934-39.

In 1933, at the break-up of the Bellwood Charge, the Pine Croft appointment was added to the work of the pastor of Grace church. H. R. Wilkes served as pastor in 1933 and A. Ward Campbell has served since that time. There are 44 members with a Sunday-school enrollment of 100. This work was started on May 16, 1897, by W. N. Sanner, who was pastor at Bellwood, with thirty persons present. A good church building was erected and dedicated in October of the same year. It has been in continuous use ever since. From that time until 1933 when it was added to Grace church, it was served by the following Bellwood pastors: W. N. Sanner, A. D. Gramley, W. N. Fulcomer, J. F. Shultz, L. C. Cooper, I. E. D. Stover, E. Fulcomer, R. H. Dick, J. H. Furner, B. F. Heiser. In the early days this community went by the name of Sabbath Rest because of the practice of the owners of drawing the fires and closing the iron furnaces every Sunday.

AVIS

The first Evangelical Sunday school in Avis was organized in 1902. (Avis at that time was called Oak Grove.) Avis is a borough seventeen miles west of Williamsport, located in Clinton County. Harry Henry was the first Sunday-school superintendent and it was in his home that it was held. The enrollment was 80. Shortly after it was organized it was held in an Episcopalian church, which was a frame structure. It was in this building that C. L. Sones, pastor of our church in Jersey Shore, held the first preaching services. This was in the year of 1902.

In March, 1912, Avis was detached from Jersey Shore, and Castanea from Lock Haven. These two constituted the Avis Mission of the Williamsport District. Avis Mission was served during the first year by the following three pastors: G. W. Currin, J. F. Shultz of Williamsport, and A. A. Winter of Dallas, Oregon. In March, 1913, J. H. Fleckenstine was sent as the first regular pastor. In March, 1917, J. H. Fleckenstine was succeeded by W. N. Wallis, 1917-18; D. A. Artman, 1919-24. It was during this period that a parsonage was bought and improved at a cost of \$2,500. Castanea was detached and added to Lock Haven Mission in 1923. In March, 1924, R. S. Daubert was appointed to Avis Mission. The present building is a brick veneer and was erected in 1928 at a cost of approximately \$8,000.

In March, 1930, H. P. Maneval was appointed to Avis Mission. There were three appointments on the charge: Avis, McElhattan and Caldwell. In 1934 the locomotive shops were moved from Avis to Albany, N. Y., and the church suffered financially. In March, 1937, M. W. Dayton was stationed at Avis. During his pastorate of two years the parsonage was improved at a cost of \$343.

The mission at present time constitutes three appointments: Avis, McElhattan and Caldwell. The present membership of the Avis Sunday school is 95. The Avis church membership is 50. The total church enrollment for the mission is 110. Present pastor, Paul M. Miller, 1939.

BELLEFONTE

This church is located on Willowbank Street, in the town of Bellefonte, Pa., in the county of Centre.

The present work in Bellefonte had its inception in the Valentine's Forge appointment of the Milesburg Charge; formally the Bolsburg Charge, which was established about 1862. Samuel Smith was the first pastor.

Sometime in 1889, E. W. Koontz began preaching west of Belle-

fonte in a schoolhouse in Bush Edition. In the same year a lot was purchased from Major Reynolds on which lot the church was built. The church was dedicated in November, 1892.

Bellefonte Mission was established by the Central Pennsylvania Conference held in Williamsport, March, 1892, with a membership of 15 charter members. During that year 15 members were added. Membership for conference year 1892-93 was 30.

The first church building erected under the leadership of E. W. Koontz cost as follows: Lot, \$1,200; building and furniture, \$3,895.43; total, \$5,095.43.

In 1924 a fine up-to-date Sunday-school edition was erected under the pastorate of R. O. Steely at a total cost of \$24,551.50. It was dedicated on January 25, 1925, by Bishop S. C. Breyfogel. During this pastorate the debt was reduced \$13,551.

Bellefonte continued to be a mission until 1916 when it was made a station while E. Fulcomer was pastor.

In 1897 a parsonage was built under the pastorate of C. H. Goodling. Cost, \$1,000 less lot.

The first Sunday school was held in a schoolhouse in Bush Edition, about 1888. E. W. Koontz was then pastor of Milesburg Circuit.

Pastors who served this charge are as follows: E. W. Koontz, 1892; G. E. Zehner, 1893-97; C. H. Goodling, 1897-99; J. Womeldorf, 1899-1901; W. H. Brown, 1901-04; W. B. Cox, 1904-08; J. F. Hower, 1908-12; A. F. Weaver, 1912-14; E. Fulcomer, 1914-17; E. B. Dunn, 1917-21; R. O. Steely, 1921-28; S. S. Mumey, 1928-29; A. W. Campbell, 1929-34; J. B. Mays, 1934-39; H. H. Jacobs, 1939.

The present membership of the church is 322. The present membership of the Sunday school is 433.

During the pastorate of W. B. Cox the church debt of \$2,000 was paid in three years. Membership then was 120. During this pastorate a steam heating plant was installed at a cost of \$650.

J. F. Hower recorded the greatest number of conversions during his pastorate, 156 in number.

During the pastorate of A. W. Campbell a fine pipe organ which originally cost \$2,500 was purchased from a local theater owner for \$500. The cost of same was paid by the church choir.

Samuel D. Gettig, an outstanding attorney, was a member of the church; his son, Musser, is now the District Attorney of Centre County and is also a member of this church.

BURNHAM

The Evangelical church, Burnham, Pa., Mifflin County, is the result of the ministry of U. F. Swengel who while pastor of Grace church, Lewistown, preached in an old house which stood where the

church now stands, on August 11, 1907. Rev. Swengel with a few laymen of Grace church organized the Sunday school with 50 pupils. The conference of March, 1908, appointed E. I. Confer to serve the new charge which consisted of two appointments. The first class consisting of seventeen, was received into membership, March, 1908. At the conference held in March, 1911, Burnham was detached from Lewistown (Trinity) and constituted a mission which is its rating today.

For several years this congregation worshiped in the old house, which in 1909 was removed and the church built with ground-breaking in July and the cornerstone laid on October 3rd. On March 13, 1910, Bishop Rudolph Dubs dedicated the building, which is built of brick with parsonage attached.

During the early years of this church it was a part of Center District; now a part of Williamsport District.

The following ministers have served this church: E. I. Confer, 1908; broken health forced his retirement in the middle of the year and George Joseph served the charge until March, 1909, when L. C. Cooper was appointed and served to March, 1913; A. C. Price, 1913-14; C. D. Moore, 1914-16; I. N. Bair, 1916-17; J. R. Sechrist, 1917-18; W. H. Brown, 1918-22; J. C. Reeser, 1922-27; G. L. Maice, 1927-30; J. H. Furner, 1930-35; W. E. Yingling, 1935-39.

There have been several very fine revivals resulting in the conversion of many who joined the church so that today there are 262 members of the church and 265 enrolled in the Sunday school.

CENTRE HALL AND SPRING MILLS

A copy of A. Stapleton's "Historical Notes—No. XIII," contains the story of the early beginnings of this charge:

"Among the early settlers in the neighborhood of New Berlin, in Union County, Pa., were the Dauberman and Shreffler families. . . . Of the Daubermans (Philip Tauberman came in the ship 'Edinburg,' Capt. James Russel, from Rotterdam, and landed in Philadelphia Sept. 30, 1754) we know of two sons, Peter . . . and John. About 1799 John removed to the western end of 'Egg Hill,' in Penns Valley, Centre County (several miles southeast from Centre Hall). Of his conversion we have no account, but as a holy man of God and a pillar in the church his name was known throughout the entire connection in the early days. Bro. Dauberman and Bro. Dillman who lived a few miles further west, were the first to receive our early preachers in the early days. A class was formed on Potter's Plains about 1810, of which these families were the chief members. About 1815 Dillman removed to Ohio, and was one of the pillars of our work established in that state in 1816.

"When there were still very few churches in the connection Father Dauberman concluded to build one himself. He accordingly laid off a piece of land on a bluff at the edge of Egg Hill for that purpose.

"In *Der Christliche Botschafter* of October, 1837, appears this notice:

"The new Evangelical meeting house in Penns Valley, Potter Township, Centre County, Pa., which was built by Brother John Dauberman, will be—God willing—on the 21st and 22nd of this month dedicated for public worship."

"P. WAGNER."

John Dauberman, Sr., died in 1853, aged 81 years. His son, John, Jr., who also was a pillar of this church and prominently known throughout the entire Church, died 1875, aged 74 years.

The old church was replaced by a new structure about 1860. Since 1938 regular services have been discontinued. The church is kept in repair and a Homecoming service is held each autumn.

Soon after the first church was built at Egg Hill, classes were formed and church buildings erected at Zion Hill and Linden Hall.

About 1870 a class was formed in Centre Hall, using A. O. Deininger's (brother of the home missionary, Rev. Christopher Deininger) storeroom as a meeting place. In 1873 a two-story frame building was erected. This was replaced in 1907 by the present structure.

About 1886 a class was formed at Lemont and the church building erected in 1888. The appointment then was a part of the Milesburg Circuit, but was soon made a part of the Centre Hall Circuit, where it has remained since then except for five years, 1933-38, when it belonged to State College.

The churches in this area were first grouped in 1856 and the group was known as the Boalsburg Circuit. In 1873 the name was changed to the Centre Hall Circuit.

Until 1894 the churches in the Spring Mills area were served from Millheim. In 1894 they were grouped and known as the Spring Mills Circuit. It consisted of the following appointments: Spring Mills, Locust Grove, Green Grove, Paradise, Bethesda and Mountain. In 1928 the circuit was discontinued and with the exception of Paradise merged with Centre Hall and became known as the Spring Mills-Centre Hall Charge.

Evangelical work is discontinued at Green Grove, Mountain and Linden Hall. The charge as now constituted is: Centre Hall, Lemont, Tusseyville (Zion Hill), Locust Grove, Spring Mills and Bethesda.

Green Grove was Dr. A. E. Gobble's boyhood church and his parents are buried in the Green Grove cemetery.

The following pastors served this charge: Boalsburg Circuit: J. C. Farnsworth, 1856; Jacob Young, 1857; P. Wagner, 1858; C. C. Farnsworth, 1859; P. Graham, 1860-61; S. Smith, 1862-63; M. Zulauf, 1864-65; H. R. Price,

1866-67; P. Wagner and A. W. Kreamer, 1868; J. M. Young and J. M. King, 1869; J. M. Young and W. H. Stover, 1870; S. D. Bennington and W. H. Stover, 1871; S. D. Bennington and A. Stapleton, 1872. Name changed to Centre Hall Circuit: R. Young and J. M. Longsdorf, 1873; R. Young and E. M. Beaver, 1874; M. Sloat, 1875-76; W. H. Stover, 1877-78; J. Boas, 1879-80; George Hunter, 1881-82; G. W. Currin, 1883-85; J. M. King, 1886-87; J. L. Miller, 1888; F. S. Vought, 1889; S. E. Davis, 1890-92; C. H. Goodling, 1893-96; W. W. Rhoads, 1897-1900; J. F. Shultz, 1901-04; J. R. Sechrist, 1905-08; S. A. Snyder, 1909-12; F. H. Foss, 1913-17; J. A. Shultz, 1918-19; J. F. Bingman, 1920-24; F. L. Huff, 1925; W. E. Smith, 1926-32; J. W. Zang, 1933-34; W. K. Hosterman, 1935-39. Spring Mills Circuit: J. H. Hertz, 1894; W. C. Hoch, 1895; N. J. Dubs, 1896; W. H. Brown, 1897-1900; S. E. Koontz, 1901-02; W. C. Bierly, 1903-04; M. J. Snyder, 1905-06; W. H. Warburton, 1907; H. A. Snook, 1908-11; J. M. Price, 1912-15; L. A. Miller, 1916-18; I. C. Bailey, 1919-21; G. W. Frey, 1922; E. E. Haney, 1923-25; M. W. Dayton, 1926-27.

DUSHORE AND LOPEZ

The present name of the charge is the Dushore-Lopez appointment of the Williamsport District. I have been told that originally preaching was in German. Services were held in a small church, about a mile from the present site. This building still stands although in very poor condition. The number of appointments on the original charge was three: Wilmot, Colley and Dushore. Some years ago, the Wilmot and Colley appointments were discontinued, and Lopez merged with Dushore. The last three pastors of this charge were Albright graduates. The present membership of the charge is 165.

Many prominent persons have come from this small parish: Wm. B. Cox, former district superintendent; Judd Kast, Supervising Principal of the Sayre High School; W. Floyd Kast, cashier of the Dushore National Bank; William F. Kast, the present Prothonotary of Sullivan; and Clayton Hoag, pastor in the Methodist church at Binghamton, N. Y.

At the time of the church division, it was necessary for the people of the Dushore appointment to "buy back" their church edifice. This was successfully accomplished with the raising of a fund of \$2,000.

GROVER AND EAST POINT

Canton Circuit was organized by detaching Grover class, Bradford County, from Liberty Circuit, Tioga County, by annual conference held at Carlisle, Cumberland County, March, 1874. The first pastor was John King. The number of members was 31. At the first quarterly conference held April 11, 1874, Baxten Hill, Vroman Hill and Baileys Corners were added. Baxten Hill class numbered 43. During the years 1876-77, 89 members and 6 classes were added to the circuit making a total membership of 151.

Under the service of I. K. Harris, 90 members were added to the roll making a total of 229. In the year 1878-79, A. Stapleton served as pastor and was succeeded by J. Brader. John King was re-appointed to the circuit and served three years, 1880-83, reporting the membership as 94.

Grover church. The Grover church was erected during the year 1879-80 at the cost of \$1,569.80. The Grover Mission was organized by dividing the Canton Circuit starting with a membership of 60 and during the year 76 were received. H. A. Stoke was appointed the missionary and served three years. During the administration of Brother Stoke the church at Beach Flats was built with a debt of \$323.87 with no plan to raise the money.

In 1886, F. S. Vought came to the mission and reported the membership as 140. Grover, Parson Hill, Beach Flats, Shunk and Ellenton were the appointments handed to the present pastor. Under the supervision of M. Williams and H. Cummings the Shunk church was built in 1887 and was dedicated February 26, 1888. The total cost of the lot and building was \$1,292.00, the amount unpaid was provided for by the trustees. The Grover church was reroofed and five special meetings were held at Ellenton and Parsons Hill. Sixty-eight were added to the church, and Sunday schools were started at all points. Barnes Hill was added to the appointment in 1889.

The pastors who served this charge are: B. F. Keller, 1889-92; J. W. Thompson, 1892-94; W. E. Brillhart, 1894-96. In this year Beach Flats came clear of debt, but Shunk was lost to the Evangelical Church. Yorktown was added to the appointments. L. M. Dice, 1899-1901; W. W. Rhoads, 1901-02; M. J. Snyder, 1902-05; J. H. Ryder, 1905-09; C. C. Mizener, 1909-12; H. D. Hill, 1912-16; J. M. Shultz, 1916-18; C. A. Fray, 1918-19; I. C. Fuhrman, 1920-23; D. A. Ertle, 1923-24; L. A. Miller, 1924-26; E. E. Haney, 1926-30; B. Temple, 1930-32; L. W. Bartges, 1932-34; R. M. Jarrett, 1934-39; F. A. Kurz, Jr., 1939.

The Grover parsonage was secured for \$350 in 1905 and with some repairs the total cost was estimated at \$600. This was paid off on a Parsonage Rally Day on September 15, 1907.

Ellenton church. Two names that stand foremost in the forming of the Ellenton Sunday school are William Avery and Grandfather Tomkins who kept the spirit living in the community. As early as 1855 did this work begin joining some 43 members in religious training. These meetings were held in various homes and later in the schoolhouse at Ellenton. On October 12, 1913, a church was built at the cost of \$2,600 during the pastorate of H. D. Hill, debt free. Bishop W. M. Stanford dedicated the church on the above date.

Maple Summit. On February 22, 1913, the Maple Summit church was dedicated by Bishop W. M. Stanford. It cost about \$400 which

was paid by subscription at the dedication. H. D. Hill was the first minister. Membership, 11; Sunday school, 40. In the winter services are held in the farm houses for the church is too cold and roads are terrible. Travel is done by foot.

East Point. Some of the early German settlers came to the western part of Liberty Township to live. Two of the earliest settlers were Frederick Harer and John Beiser in 1830. Bishop Seybert on his first trip to New York and Canada found open doors in Blooming Grove, Lycoming County, and Blockhouse, Tioga County. Samuel Hartman at Blockhouse was first to receive the bishop into his house. Later Michael Sindlinger opened his house and during the next conference year Bishop Seybert succeeded in locating a Rev. Barber on this charge.

The first families to become associated with this movement were Hartman, Koegel, Sindlinger, Knodel, Dier, Essig, Welty, Schick, Schanbacher, Rupp, Gloeckler, Landid, Diebler and others.

At these visits class meetings were held. John Sindlinger was elected leader. In 1832 he entered the ministry and later became one of the first presiding elders of the Evangelical Association. Eight years later Michael Sindlinger, brother of John, entered the ministry.

On February 26, 1855, a plot of land was given by Jacob Gloeckler and his wife to the trustees for the erection of the church, called "The Bethlehem Evangelical church." This served its purpose for 31 years. On the site where the hall now stands Peter Schiek erected a blacksmith shop. In this shop was established the first post office. Peter Schiek gave East Point its name and was its first postmaster. This was established about 1875. In 1886 the church was built on the site where the blacksmith shop stood. Then in 1895 the other church was built.

All these churches are frame buildings. Grover now is the center of the charge. Eight miles southeast from Grover is the Ellenton church, 2,100 ft. above sea level. Beautiful valleys and mountains can be seen in all directions. Two miles and a half from the Ellenton church northeast off the hard road is located in a dense wooded land the Maple Summit church. East Point is located 13 miles north, then west on hard road from Grover.

Membership: Grover, 24; Ellenton, 45; Union, 15; Maple Summit, 7; East Point, 94.

HOWARD

The Howard Charge, formerly known as the Nittany Valley Circuit, is located in Centre County. It consists of five churches, as follows: Howard, Fairview, Hublersburg, Snowshoe Intersection and Zion. Nittany Valley formerly had thirteen churches.

Bishop Seybert laid the foundation for the work during his visit in Nittany Valley in 1850, and in 1860 the first church was built at Zion, Pa. The German language was used.

In 1894, Howard, Fairview, Marsh Creek, Jacksonville and Har-
ters Schoolhouse were detached from the Nittany Circuit and con-
stituted the Howard Circuit. In 1906 the Howard Charge was
constituted a mission. In 1916 the Milesburg Circuit was disbanded
and the Snowshoe Intersection and Curtin churches were attached to
Howard. The Marsh Creek, Curtin and Jacksonville have been
dropped.

The original churches on Nittany Valley Circuit were as follows:

Fairview. This class was organized in 1873 in the Fairview school-
house by Rev. Sloat and A. Longsdorf, during the winter of 1873-74.
Rev. Sloat and G. W. Currin held a revival service which resulted
in over 100 conversions; 57 members were formed into a class, who
later were the charter members of the church. The church was dedi-
cated in 1880 by Bishop Bowman under the pastorate of J. A. Irvine
and A. L. Reeser, presiding elder. A Sunday school was organized
in 1875 with 25 members. The church was involved in the split in
1898 and was also divided in 1908 by the holiness group. Today
the church membership is 31; Sunday-school enrollment, 65. This
is one of the original churches on the Howard Charge.

The following ministers served this church and St. John's: M. Sloat, A.
Longsdorf and G. W. Currin, 1872-74; W. E. Detweiler, 1875-77; R. Young
and J. C. Reeser, 1878-79; J. A. Irvine and A. W. Swengle, 1880-82; W. N.
Wallis, 1883-85; H. W. Gross, 1886; M. I. Jamison and A. H. Irvine,
1887; W. Swengle, 1888; J. M. King and J. W. Thompson, 1889; P. F.
Jarrett, 1889-90; H. B. Barshinger, 1891; J. J. Lohr, 1892-93; H. W. Bender,
1894; J. G. M. Swengle, 1895; J. R. Sechrist, 1896-99; I. N. Bair, 1899-1903;
D. A. Artman, 1903-05; J. F. Shultz, 1905-07; W. W. Rhoads, 1907-11; M.
J. Snyder, 1911-15; J. F. Bingaman, 1915-19; F. H. Foss, 1920-23; F. F.
Mayer, 1924-26; J. W. Getz and A. M. Paulhamus, 1926-27; T. R. Husler,
1928; W. E. Yingling, 1929-35; L. E. Kline, 1935-39.

St. John's, Howard. This class was organized in 1873 with twelve
members under the pastorate of Rev. Sloat and A. Longsdorf. The
church was built and dedicated in 1886, H. W. Gross, pastor; ser-
mon by W. M. Stanford, Cleveland, Ohio. There were 35 members
at this time. A Sunday school was organized with 30 members.
Present Sunday-school enrollment, 113; church membership, 123.
The same ministers served this church as Fairview.

Wingate Snowshoe Intersection. This class was a part of the
Union Sunday school held in the Snowshoe Intersection schoolhouse.
A number of ministers came to this place to preach and during a
revival under S. E. Koontz, when many were converted, regular

preaching was taken up. During the pastorate of C. W. Hipple the Evangelical congregation was duly organized in 1896. In 1898 under the pastorate of G. W. Hiney, the present church was dedicated. There was a class of 25 at the beginning, and a Sunday school of 30. Present membership, 55; Sunday-school enrollment, 115. This was a part of the Milesburg Circuit.

The following pastors served: C. W. Hipple, 1896; G. W. Hiney, 1897-98; W. J. Dice, 1898; P. A. Smith, 1899-1901; M. T. Crouch, 1901-02; W. K. Shultz, 1903-04; J. A. Foss, 1905-06; G. W. Frey, 1907-08; N. J. Dubs, 1909-10; I. C. Shearer, 1910-12; J. H. Fleckenstine, 1913-15; Levi Dice, 1916 (this year the charge was consolidated with the Howard Circuit); J. F. Bingaman, 1916-19; F. H. Foss, 1920-23; F. F. Mayer, 1924-26; J. W. Getz and H. E. Paulhamus, 1926-27; T. R. Husler, 1928; W. E. Yingling, 1929-35; L. E. Kline, 1935-39.

Zion. This class was formed shortly after the visit of Bishop Seybert in 1850 in Nittany Valley. The church was built in 1859. We have a record of it being incorporated May 28, 1860, by the following men: Phillip Gebhart, Doury Gebhart, Jefferson Boyer, Henry Walburn and Thomas Schantz. This church was a part of the Nittany Valley Circuit, later Clintondale Circuit and now Howard Charge.

There is no record of the pastors until 1869. The following served: S. W. Seibert and H. H. Trumphfeller, 1869; S. Smith and A. L. Reeser, 1870; J. M. King and L. K. Harris, 1871; M. Sloat, A. Longsdorf and G. W. Currin, 1872-74; W. E. Detweiler, 1875-77; R. Young and J. C. Reeser, 1878-79; J. A. Irvine and A. W. Swengle, 1880-82; W. N. Wallis, 1883-85; H. W. Gross, 1886; M. I. Jamison and A. H. Irvine, 1887; W. Swengle and S. E. Koontz, 1888; J. M. King, J. W. Thompson and P. F. Jarrett, 1889-91; H. B. Barshinger, 1891; J. J. Lohr, 1892-94; I. M. Pines, 1895; E. W. Koontz, 1896; A. H. Fravel, 1897; H. T. Searle, 1898-1900; J. A. Foss, 1901; J. M. Price, 1902-05; H. A. Snook, 1906-08; M. E. Bartholomew, 1908; J. F. Bingaman, 1909-10; R. S. Daubert, 1911-12; D. A. Ertel, 1913-15; J. F. D. Bowersox, 1916-18; C. S. Messner, 1919-21; J. W. Zang, 1922-25; W. E. Grove, 1926-27; W. E. Yingling, 1928-35; L. E. Kline, 1935-39.

Hublersburg. This class was formed prior to 1870, having 25 members. Samuel Smith was the pastor. The church was built in 1873 under the pastorate of M. Sloat. This church was a part of the Nittany Valley Circuit, then Clintondale Circuit, Howard Circuit, one year with Bellefonte and one year with the State College church. During a revival service held by W. E. Yingling and Evangelist Mausholder, the Sunday school was reorganized and now has an enrollment of 36 members; church membership, 34.

Ministers: Samuel Smith, 1870; A. L. Reeser, J. M. King and L. K. Harris, 1871; M. Sloat, A. Longsdorf and G. W. Currin, 1872-74; W. E. Detwiler, 1875-77; R. Young and J. C. Reeser, 1878-79; J. A. Irvine and A. W. Swengle, 1880-82; W. N. Wallis, 1883-85; H. W. Gross, 1886; M. I. Jamison and A. H. Irvine, 1887; W. Swengle, 1888; J. M. King and J. W. Thompson,

1888-89; P. F. Jarrett, 1889-91; H. B. Barshinger, 1891; J. J. Lohr, 1892-94; I. M. Pines, 1895; E. W. Koontz and A. H. Fravel, 1896-97; H. T. Searle, 1898-1900; J. A. Foss, 1901; J. M. Price, 1902-03; H. A. Snooke, 1906-07; M. E. Bartholomew, 1908; J. F. Bingaman, 1909-10; R. S. Daubert, 1911-12; D. A. Ertel, 1913-15; J. F. D. Bowersox, 1916-18; C. S. Messner, 1919-21; J. W. Zang, 1922-25; W. E. Grove, 1926-27; S. S. Mumey, 1927-28; A. C. Ruth, 1929-30; W. E. Yingling, 1931-35; L. E. Kline, 1935-39.

HUGHESVILLE

Of the Bethany Evangelical church of Hughesville, Pa., Lycoming County, according to the biography of John Schuler who came to this place in 1854, we read, "We had no church here, but in 1863 A. H. Irvine was appointed to Dushore Charge. He was instructed to call and see me, and during our conversation relative to the church, Brother Irvine thought we should take up an appointment in this place, and accordingly, in 1865, S. E. Davis came here and held a protracted meeting in Martin Hill's workshop. There were many conversions and we organized a class. Mr. Schuler was the first class leader and Sunday-school superintendent."

Some years later a large church was erected on South Second Street which was occupied until the year 1897 when the present church of brick veneer was dedicated under the ministry of the late C. L. Sones.

In 1866 the Committee on Boundaries offered the following: "Resolved, That Cherry Circuit be divided, viz., all that part north of Laport, including Hiddelsons, Keelers, Dushore, Colly, Noraconks and Waltman's Hill appointments, be constituted a circuit and be called Cherry Circuit, and all south of Laport including Bear Run, North Mountain, Lairdesville, McCarty's, Hughesville, Rabbit-town and Muncy be constituted a circuit to be called Muncy Circuit." In 1870: "Resolved, That the appointments, Union church and Bunker Hill, be detached from Muncy Circuit and annexed to Orangeville Mission and be constituted a one-handed circuit called Orangeville Circuit, and that Muncy Circuit be called Hughesville Circuit." In 1886: "Resolved, That Ebenezer, North Mountain and Stone Schoolhouse be added to Waller Circuit and supplied with two preachers, and the remaining part of the circuit be called Hughesville Mission."

This charge has been served by the following ministers: S. E. Davis, 1866; H. W. Buck and J. W. Bentz, 1867; H. W. Buck and S. P. Remer, 1868; M. W. Harris and A. W. Kreamer, 1869; M. W. Harris and L. K. Harris, 1870; W. W. Rhoads and E. M. Beaver, 1871; G. L. Burson, 1873-74; P. M. Coup, 1875-76; R. W. Runyan, 1877; J. F. Shultz, 1878-79; J. H. Peters, 1880-81; J. J. Lohr, 1882-84; W. H. Lilley, 1885; J. W. Messinger, 1886-88; M. I. Jamison, 1889-91; A. Stapleton, 1892; H. A. Stoke, 1893-94; C. L. Sones, 1895-97; J. D. Shortess, 1898-1901; J. J. Lohr, 1902-04; S. S. Mumey,

1905-08; D. F. Young, 1909-12; D. L. Kepner, 1914-16; C. D. Moore, 1917-18; C. C. Mizener, 1919-22; M. A. Kennelly, 1923-25; W. C. Hoch, 1926-29; D. W. Stock, 1930-33; L. E. Teter, 1934; J. H. Furner, 1935-36; S. S. Mumey, 1937; R. C. Stabler, 1938-39.

JERSEY SHORE

Trinity Evangelical church is situated in Jersey Shore, Lycoming County. Preaching was begun in 1872 in a storeroom, now Lehman's Store, by Z. Hornberger and J. A. Hetner. The first Sunday school apparently was organized in 1872. The first class was formed in 1872. There were eight appointments on the original charge: Germany (now Swissdale), Frontonia, Wayne, Pine, Nippenose, Friedens, Salladasburg and Jersey Shore. All the above were detached from Jersey Shore in 1900 and Avis was taken up as an appointment. Avis was detached from Jersey Shore in 1913. Jersey Shore was made a station in 1913. The charge has always been on the Williamsport District. Jersey Shore became self-supporting in 1920. The present membership numbers 350; the total Sunday-school enrollment, 400.

Pastors: Z. Hornberger and J. A. Hetner, 1872; A. Rearick and W. L. Rightmire, 1873; A. Rearick and N. B. Sherk, 1874; A. Rearick and B. F. Keller, 1875; H. A. Dietrich and D. P. Kline, 1876; D. P. Kline and G. H. Schleh, 1877; Jacob Boas and G. H. Schleh, 1878; H. W. Buck and F. S. Vought, 1879-80; H. W. Buck and H. T. Searl, 1881; D. W. Miller and J. H. Welch, 1883; J. G. M. Swengle and J. R. Sechrist, 1884; J. R. Sechrist, 1885-86; J. M. Price, 1887-88; H. S. Basom, 1889-90; J. F. Shultz, 1891-92; J. M. King, 1893-96; W. N. Wallis, 1897-1900; C. L. Sones (detached from the circuit served with Avis), 1901-06; W. H. Lilley, 1907-10; A. Stapleton, 1911-13; J. W. Messinger, 1914; W. B. Cox, 1915-17; J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1918-20; I. E. Spangler, 1921; L. M. Dice, 1922-23; C. L. Sones, 1924-25; John B. Mays, 1926-32; A. M. Jenkins, 1933-39.

LEWISTOWN (GRACE)

The history of Grace church dates back to 1882 when S. W. Seibert made plans for a permanent place of worship. Prior to 1882 Evangelical ministers preached in Lewistown at irregular intervals. On May 16, 1883, with C. W. Finkbinder as pastor, the first class was organized, the first church completed and dedicated by Bishop Thomas Bowman, cost, \$1,850. The second church building was erected in 1904, Noah Young, pastor, and dedicated January 1, 1905, by Bishop W. M. Stanford, cost, \$10,500. The third and present church building was erected in 1925 and 1926, S. E. Koontz, pastor, and dedicated January 23, 1927, by Bishop John S. Stamm, cost, \$188,500.

Nineteen pastors have served Grace congregation, assigned as follows: C. W. Finkbinder, 1883; R. W. Runyan, 1885; S. P. Remer, 1888; M. J. Snyder, 1890; W. B. Cox, 1891; W. N. Wallis, 1894; George Joseph, 1895; C. H.

Goodling, 1899; N. Young, 1903; U. F. Swengel, 1907; J. C. Reeser, 1911; W. E. Peffley, 1915; D. F. Young, 1916; M. A. Kennelley, 1921; S. E. Koontz, 1923; J. M. Dick, 1929; S. A. Snyder, 1931; E. J. Bayne, 1933; Clair C. Kreidler, 1939.

The church has had a steady growth until the present membership numbers 635; Sunday-school enrollment, 750. The Sunday school has had but three superintendents: D. H. Snook, John Fisher and John L. Pandel.

In 1910 Dr. Swengel was elevated to the office of Bishop from the pulpit of this church. In 1915, W. E. Peffley was elevated from the pulpit of Grace church to the office of Assistant Editor of Sunday-school literature and later as editor-in-chief. John L. Pandel, Superintendent of Sunday school and efficient leader in the congregation is recognized as one of the outstanding laymen in the Evangelical Church. Two young men have entered the ministry from Grace congregation: James Reed, serving Mount Rock Charge on the Lewisburg District, and Lewis Briner in the School of Theology, Reading, Pa.

During Dr. Swengel's pastorate the new missions, Lewistown, Trinity and Burnham were established.

The congregation was visited by many gracious revivals. Two are outstanding. When C. H. Goodling was pastor, more than 100 souls were saved. During J. C. Reeser's pastorate, a great revival visited the people.

This congregation entertained the Central Pennsylvania Conference in 1909 with Dr. Swengel as host; in 1933 with S. A. Snyder as host; in 1937 with E. J. Bayne as host.

During Dr. Swengel's pastorate this congregation was host to the Bible Conference, the Board of Missions, the Managing Board of the Keystone League of Christian Endeavor.

LEWISTOWN (TRINITY)

Trinity congregation and Sunday school were started sometime during the year 1907 with fourteen members in the sixth ward schoolhouse, under the supervision of U. F. Swengel, D.D., pastor of the Grace Evangelical church.

The congregation and Sunday school, with all services in English, worshiped in the schoolhouse for a short time, then in the home of Aaron Manback until a new chapel was dedicated on January 1, 1909. Here the Sunday school and congregation continued to worship until October 14, 1923, occupying the present Sunday-school building.

Ground was broken on the new site for the foundation of the new building on June 4, 1922. The cornerstone for the Sunday-school building was laid Sunday, October 22, 1922, Dr. A. E. Hangen,

editor of the *Evangelical*, Harrisburg, Pa., officiating. This building was dedicated on Sunday, October 21, 1923, Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, D.D., Reading, Pa., officiating.

Trinity's present membership is 198, and the Sunday-school enrollment is 314. Trinity first belonged to Center District, then to Carlisle District and at present is on Williamsport District.

At the conference held in Berwick, Pa., 1908, Trinity and Burnham were made a mission, with E. I. Confer as pastor. This mission was continued until the conference of 1911, when Burnham and Trinity were constituted separate missions and remain so to date.

Pastors: E. I. Confer, 1908-09; L. C. Cooper, 1909-11; F. D. Sherman, 1911-12; George Joseph, 1912-15; C. B. Shank, 1915-17; J. H. Fleckenstine, 1917-19; L. E. Crumblin, 1919-26; A. J. Chamberlain, 1926-29; L. M. Dice, 1929-34; F. L. Teter, 1934-39.

On March 18, 1936, Lewistown experienced one of the most damaging floods in her history, damage amounting to about \$4,000,000. Both the parsonage and church were in the flood. The water was six feet, three and one-half inches deep on the first floor of the parsonage and in the church basement was about three inches above the plastered ceiling. Much damage was done to both parsonage and church and to furniture belonging to pastor.

LIBERTY

Liberty Charge is located in southern Tioga County, and northern Lycoming County. Five congregations comprise the charge: Liberty, Nauvoo and Beuters in Tioga County; Buttonwood and Oregon Hill in Lycoming County.

In the year 1830 John Seybert, presiding elder of the Salem District, found open doors in Blockhouse settlement among German people who had migrated to this section from central and southern Pennsylvania. "Vices of all kinds, especially that of drunkenness were the order of the day. The people indeed had churches and preachers, but the latter like the people were godless. Seybert's preaching soon made a stir in the neighborhood; sinners were awakened and converted, houses and churches were opened to him."—*Orwig*. Seybert made several visits to this section as a result of which a flourishing society was organized and a firm foundation for a lasting work was laid. This work was added to Center Circuit.

The home of Samuel Hartman, Sr., was the first place opened to Rev. Seybert. Other homes soon became meeting places. The houses of Schick, Leonard Schambacher, G. Kreager, John M. Sindlinger, Christian Essig, W. Landis, Welti, Deibler, Knodel, Christian Diehr, Soloman Roupp and Jacob Gloeckler were used as meeting places.

The first church building was built in Liberty in 1848; in Nauvoo in 1859; in Buttonwood about 1907-09; and at Beuters in 1909-12. Oregon Hill church was built some years later.

This work has grown until at present there are 182 members. There are four active Sunday schools with a total membership of 234. It is worthy of note that this field is among the leading ones in its contributions to missionary and benevolent enterprises due without doubt to the well-organized and active missionary societies at Nauvoo and Buttonwood. At present this field is a part of Williamsport District of the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

The following ministers have served the work since its beginning: James Barber, Charles Hammer, M. George, Thomas Eppley, Uriah Everhart and Charles Lindelman. These men served between 1830 and 1850, when the work in Block House (Liberty), was a part of Center Circuit: Daniel Kehr, 1851; M. Zulauf and S. W. Seybert, 1852-53; W. H. Berry and A. J. Bender, 1854; W. H. Berry and J. Young, 1855; M. Zulauf, 1856-57; H. R. Price, 1858; S. Aurand, 1859-60; A. Longsdorf, 1861-62; A. Rearick, 1863-64; J. Bowersox, 1865-66; P. H. Rishel, 1867-68; T. M. Morris and P. W. Raidabaugh, 1869. In 1870 it was resolved that Block House Circuit hereafter be called Liberty Circuit. Z. Hornberger and supply, 1870; M. W. Harris and R. Young, 1871; J. M. King and D. P. Rumberger, 1872; L. M. King and A. Stapleton, 1873; H. N. Grenninger and supply, 1874; H. N. Grenninger and J. F. Shultz, 1875; N. Young and B. F. Keller, 1876; N. Young and C. F. Gaphart, 1877; N. Young and J. H. Hertz, 1878. About 1879, Liberty Circuit was divided and East Liberty Circuit (now East Point) was formed. M. Sloat, 1878-80; J. M. Price, 1881-82; F. S. Vought, 1883-85; J. R. Sechrist, 1886-89; W. Minsker, 1889-90; W. E. Brillhart, 1891-93; M. A. Kennelly, 1894-95; L. M. Dice, 1896-98; W. C. Bierley, 1899-1902; M. T. Crouch, 1903-06; F. L. Terer, 1907-08; C. D. Pewterbaugh, 1909-12; J. A. Shultz, 1913-15; F. D. Sherman, 1916-19; E. S. Hill, 1920-24; H. H. Jacobs, 1925-26; F. H. Moyer, 1927; R. C. Stabler, 1928-33; D. W. Stock, 1934-39.

LOCK HAVEN

First church, Lock Haven, Pa., began in 1866, but preachers being scarce, S. W. Seybert was the first preacher, appointed in 1867. Services were held in a third-floor room over a tinshop on the corner of Main and Grove Streets. There were at first but two actual members, but there were fifty accessions in the fall of 1867. Services were held in English. A Sunday school was formed in 1867 but did not last long. Another was started in 1869 by George Hunter, with less than 20 members.

In 1871 a forty-foot by eighty-foot one-story brick building was erected on the present site. The present building was dedicated on January 8, 1900. First church was a mission for the first 27 years, becoming a station in 1896.

The following pastors served the church: S. W. Seybert, 1867-68; George Hunter, 1869-70; S. T. Buck, 1871-73; U. F. Swengel, 1873-76; P. S. Rishel,

1876-77; J. J. Lohr, 1878-79; Jacob Young, 1880-81; J. M. Ettinger, 1882-83; J. M. Dick, 1884-86; Edwin Swengel, 1887-89; J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1889-92; H. A. Benfer, 1893-95; W. H. Lilley, 1896; J. W. Thompson, 1897-1900; J. F. Dunlap, 1901-04; M. F. Fosselman, 1905-07; C. W. Finkbinder, 1907-10; E. Crumbling, 1910-14; A. F. Weaver, 1914-19; J. W. Thompson, 1919-23; E. Crumbling, 1923-27; G. R. Mergenthaler, 1927-32; H. W. Heisley, 1932-39.

The present membership of the church is 576; Sunday-school enrollment, 661. A great revival conducted by M. F. Fosselman in 1905 resulted in 250 conversions and 152 accessions. The flood of 1889 ruined the church property. The present church cost \$15,000 to construct; \$6,000 was raised during construction and \$8,010.93 in cash and pledges on the day of dedication, January 8, 1900.

I. R. Dunlap and A. D. Gramley were members of this church. H. W. Shaffer has been Sunday-school superintendent for more than 45 years.

Of the pastors of the church, two have become bishops, two church editors, and eight presiding elders.

LOCK HAVEN MISSION

This charge had its inception in March, 1885, when Farrandsville, Wayne, Pine, Caldwell and Swissdale were detached from Jersey Shore Circuit and constituted Lock Haven Circuit with J. G. M. Swengel as the first preacher-in-charge. Previously these appointments were served by Z. Hornberger, 1872; A. Rearick and B. F. Keller, 1873-75; H. A. Deitrich, 1876; D. P. Kline, 1877; J. Boas, 1878; H. W. Buck and H. T. Searle, 1879-81; D. W. Miller, A. W. Swengel and J. H. Welch, 1882-83; J. G. M. Swengel and J. R. Sechrist, 1884. The work at all appointments began in homes and schoolhouses. There is no record of preachers from the beginning until 1871.

Pine. The church was built in 1875. This was the seat of a very active camp meeting. Both were discontinued in 1900. Wayne was changed in name to McElhattan in 1902 and with Caldwell was added to Avis in 1928. Farrandsville was discontinued in 1930. It was made a mission in 1908 and has always been a part of the Williamsport District. Castanea was added from Avis in 1928. Clintondale and Rote were added from Nittany Valley Circuit in 1928. Nittany was added from Howard in 1930.

Swissdale. The only original appointment, was formerly called the German Settlement. This section was settled in 1825 by three families from Switzerland who built their log houses without the aid of teams. Ten years later many others came to settle here. In 1841 a log schoolhouse was erected which a few years later was converted into the first church. A new and larger church was erected in 1869.

This building became the Evangelical Association and was so served until the merger, J. H. Rosenberger being the last preacher to serve in this connection. The building was razed and sold in 1927. The present church building was erected in 1895 with J. D. Stover as the pastor.

Castanea. Work began here in 1891 under the wing of First church, Lock Haven, with J. A. Hollenbaugh as pastor, using an old schoolhouse which was later converted into a beautiful little chapel. Pastors serving from Lock Haven were: J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1891; H. A. Benfer, 1892-95; W. H. Lilley, 1896; J. W. Thompson, 1897-1900; J. F. Dunlap, 1901-03; M. F. Fosselman, 1904-06; C. W. Finkbinder, 1907-09; E. Crumbling, 1910-12; in 1913 it was added to Avis and served by J. H. Fleckenstine, 1913-16; W. N. Wallis, 1917-18; D. A. Artman, 1919-22; in 1923 it was added to Lock Haven Mission and served by J. H. Ricker; in 1924 it was returned to Avis and served by R. S. Daubert, 1924-27; in 1928 it was returned again to Lock Haven Mission.

Clintondale is the oldest appointment on the charge; was a part of old Nittany Valley Circuit of the Center District. This district was discontinued in 1920. On this circuit was the Mackeyville or Hamburg church erected in 1844, used for twenty-five years, boasting the first church bell to be used in Clinton County. Here many of our preachers received their early training as the circuit boasted of a junior preacher for many years. In 1894 Howard and four other appointments were detached to constitute Howard Circuit, leaving ten appointments on the circuit. Clintondale was the scene of a very live camp meeting for many years. The parsonage was purchased in 1911 and when the charge was broken up in 1928 was sold. The first church here was erected previous to 1840. This building was remodeled in 1865 and destroyed by fire on April 23, 1902, when the little village suffered a terrific fire, destroying the church, eight homes, the general store and the schoolhouse. J. M. Price had just been assigned to this field and found his first major task to be the rebuilding of the church which was undertaken and completed during the same year. J. Womeldorf was recommended for license by the Howard class while yet a part of this circuit.

There is no record of preachers who served from the beginning of the work until 1869 when S. Smith was pastor. Others were: S. W. Seibert, H. H. Trumpfheller, years undetermined; A. L. Reeser, 1870; J. M. King and L. K. Harris, 1871; M. Sloat, 1872-74; G. W. Currin, 1873; W. E. Detwiler, 1875-77; R. Young, 1878-79; J. C. Reeser and M. J. Carothers, 1878; J. W. Messinger, 1879; J. A. Irvine, 1880-82; A. W. Swengel and H. T. Searle, 1882; J. R. Sechrist, 1883; J. H. Welch, 1884; W. N. Wallis, 1883-85; H. W. Gross, 1886; M. I. Jamison, 1887; E. Swengle, 1888; J. M. King, 1888-89; J. W. Thompson, 1889; P. F. Jarrett, 1889-91; S. E. Koontz, 1890; H. B.

Barshinger, 1891; J. J. Lohr, 1892-94; I. M. Pines, 1895; A. H. Irvine and E. W. Koontz, 1896-97; H. T. Searle, 1898-1900; J. A. Foss, 1901; J. M. Price, 1902-05; H. A. Snook, 1906-08; M. E. Bartholomew, 1908; J. F. Bingham, 1909-10; R. S. Daubert, 1911-12; D. A. Ertel, 1913-15; J. F. D. Bowersox, 1916-18; C. S. Messner, 1919-21; J. W. Zang, 1922-25; W. E. Grove, 1926-27.

Rote was settled previous to 1877. The present church was built in 1882. This appointment was added from Nittany Circuit in 1928.

Nittany. Work began here about 1887, using a Union church which later became the property of the Disciples. The present building was erected in 1896 by E. W. Koontz. Originally on Nittany Valley Circuit this appointment was given to Howard in 1928 and to Lock Haven Mission in 1930. The charge at present consists of five appointments with a church membership of 213 and a Sunday school enrollment of 433.

Pastors who served Lock Haven Mission: J. G. M. Swengle, 1885; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1886-88; J. Shambach, 1889-91; H. S. Basom, 1892-94; J. D. Stover, 1895-96; J. B. Fox, 1897-98; J. R. Sechrist, 1899-1902; W. N. Wallis, 1903-06; H. Minsker, 1907-10; C. J. Dick, 1911-14; R. S. Daubert, 1915-19; J. H. Ricker, 1920-23; W. E. Yingling, 1924-27; T. R. Husler, 1928-30 M. A. Herman, 1931-37; J. A. Corle, 1938-39.

LYCOMING

Lycoming Charge, Lycoming County, Pa., is the oldest charge in Central Pennsylvania Conference retaining its original name.

The charge was formed at the conference session meeting at New Berlin, Pa., in 1832 and became a part of the Salem District with John Seybert presiding elder, and James Barber and John Young as pastors.

Blockhouse settlement, now Liberty, Pa., and Blooming Grove seem to have been the first appointments on the old charge. While we do not know with certainty how many preaching places comprised the charge, of this we are definitely sure—the preaching places were numerous and the area of the circuit extensive. Some idea of the extensiveness of its territory may be gathered from a statement in an old *Conference Journal*—"Lycoming Circuit has produced ten charges: Williamsport (English), Williamsport Circuit, Williamsport (German), Newberry, Lycoming, Jersey Shore, Liberty, East Liberty, Canton, and Dushore." That it reached out in other directions in its early history is noted in Orwig's *History of the Evangelical Association* as he writes concerning the circuit in 1842—"Lycoming Circuit which included the greater part of what are now (1858) the circuits of Clinton and Blockhouse in charge of the brethren, A. Longsdorf and S. McLean, was in a most flourishing condi-

tion and blessed during the year with many awakenings and conversions, especially in Nittany Valley."

The charge has been a part of the following districts: Salem District, 1832-43; Susquehanna District, 1844-48; Center District, 1849-70; Williamsport District since 1871.

Five appointments constitute the charge today. The names of appointments and the year of the erection of churches are as follows: State Road, 1864; St. John's Chapel, 1871; Quigelsville, 1882; Pine Run, 1887 and 1916; and Maple Springs, 1908. The present membership is 331; Sunday-school enrollment of 534.

Many ministers have gone out from the congregations of the charge. Among the most distinguished was Jacob Rank, a grandson of Jacob Albright, the founder of the Church. He entered the ministry in 1837 and served 40 years, the most of this long ministry in the Des Moines Conference.

The following men received their license to preach from the charge as presently constituted: James Hower, Walter Dice, and A. C. Paulhamus, all of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; G. Leidy Lovell, of the Oregon Conference; and C. E. Getz, pastor of the Presbyterian church, Dunellan, New Jersey. D. M. Metzger, deceased, renowned Evangelical educator, was born on the charge and received his recommendations for license to preach by the State Road congregation. Licensed to preach by the Central Pennsylvania Conference, he served several appointments in the conference and then devoted the rest of his life to education, serving as instructor in Lafayette Seminary, Dallas College, and La Creole Academy, all in Oregon; and Western Union College, Le Mars, Iowa. He is buried in the cemetery at the State Road church.

Ministerial Roll: J. Barber and J. Young, 1832; G. Schneider and G. Brickley, 1833; G. Brickley and S. Tobias, 1834; John Young, 1835; F. Hoffman and S. Mosser, 1836; S. Mosser and G. T. Haines, 1837; G. Brickley and P. Schwillley, 1838; J. Young and J. Rissman, 1839; J. Barber, 1840; B. Eppley, 1841; A. Longsdorf and S. McLean, 1842; A. Longsdorf and B. Eppley, 1843; B. Eppley and W. Reeser, 1844; P. Heiss and B. Hess, 1845; Levi Eberhart and A. Young, 1846; P. Heiss and C. Lindeman, 1847; A. Longsdorf, 1848; J. M. Sindlinger and S. Wolf, 1849; E. Stambach and M. Zulauf, 1850; E. Stambach and A. Krause, 1851; Philip Wagner and H. R. Price, 1852; W. H. Berry and J. C. Miller, 1853; J. Kreamer and B. Hoffman, 1854; J. Kreamer and H. Althouse, 1855; J. Young and S. Aurand, 1856; A. Longsdorf and J. Henn, 1857; A. Longsdorf and S. Smith, 1858; H. R. Price and M. Walter, 1859; S. Mosser and A. Rearick, 1860; J. Young and N. Deabler, 1861; A. Krause and T. M. Morris, 1862; A. Krause and F. Metfessel, 1863; L. May and F. Metfessel, 1864; L. May and H. W. Buck, 1865; M. Walter and H. W. Buck, 1866; M. Walter and J. G. M. Swengel, 1867; J. M. Young and J. F. Manbeck, 1868; J. Kreamer, 1869; J. Kreamer and W. W. Rhoads, 1870; A. Krause and W. H. Davis, 1871; A. Krause and supply, 1872; S. D. Benning-

ton and H. N. Grenninger, 1873; P. H. Rishel and L. K. Harris, 1874; P. H. Rishel and P. W. Group, 1875; P. H. Rishel and J. H. Peters, 1876; J. G. M. Swengel, 1877-78; A. Krause, 1879-81; A. Stapleton, 1882; R. Young, 1883-84; D. W. Miller, 1885-87; L. Dice, 1888-90; W. H. Stover, 1891-93; J. B. Fox, 1894-96; J. D. Stover, 1897-99; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1900-03; H. C. Guthrie, 1904-07; J. H. Welch, 1908-11; C. B. Snyder, 1912-16; F. E. Brickley, 1917-19; J. B. McLaughlin, 1920-26; H. H. Jacobs, 1927-33; B. G. Hoffman, 1934-39.

McCLURE

McClure Charge, created by annual conference of 1873 by detaching Troxelville or Smith's, Manbeck's, Baker's and Lawver's appointments from Middle Creek Circuit, is situated in Western Snyder and Eastern Mifflin Counties. Classes have since been organized in McClure and Beavertown and with the above constitute McClure charge of today.

This charge embraces territory traveled by Jacob Albright and his colleagues who used the German language and conducted services in homes and large barns. Church edifices were erected at Manbeck's about 1850; at Baker's, 1858; at Lawver's, 1865; McClure, 1873; Troxelville, 1875; the Beavertown church building—formerly Bethesda United Brethren church building—was purchased July 19, 1872. Jacob Albright organized the Lawver's class in 1803 with Frederick Herpster, class leader and Isaac Gill, assistant class leader. The parents of about 15 families, with some of the children, constituted this class; typical of that day, when existing church buildings were closed to the Albright people, this organization was effected under a large cherry tree on a small hillside about one-half mile west of the present church building. The Lawver's church property is the oldest piece of realty in the denomination.

McClure charge today is a part of Williamsport District; formerly it was a part of Carlisle District, and earlier still, was a portion of Center District. Its present membership is 277; Sunday-school enrollment, 525. Five of its sons entered the active ministry: D. P. Kline, J. Fred Bingman, L. A. Fuhrman, I. C. Fuhrman and H. Leroy Brininger; three others were local preachers: Jacob Lawver, T. A. Shortess and L. I. Fuhrman. Its most recent achievement is the erection of a lovely brick church edifice at McClure; dedicated by Bishop J. S. Stamm, December 11, 1938.

McClure has been served by the following pastors: D. W. Miller, 1873-74; S. Yearick and L. Dice, 1875; A. Krause and B. F. Anthony, 1876; J. M. Price and J. Shambach, 1877-78; N. Young and E. P. Leonard, 1879-80; N. Young and M. F. Fosselman, 1881; W. H. Stover and E. D. Keen, 1882; W. H. Stover and J. D. Shortess, 1883; S. Smith and J. D. Shortess, 1884; S. Smith and C. W. Leonard, 1885; N. Young, 1886-88; J. G. M. Swengel, 1889-91; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1892-95; L. Dice, 1896-99; A. D. Gramley, 1900-03; C. F. Garrett, 1904-05; A. S. Baumgardner, 1906-07; A. L. Burkett,

1908-11; C. S. Messner, 1912-15; J. H. Ricker, 1916; W. H. Warburton, 1917-18; J. M. Price, 1919-23; C. W. Hipple, 1924-27; M. W. Dayton, 1928-31; J. R. Schechterly, 1932-39.

MILLHEIM CHARGE

Millheim Charge, located in beautiful Penn's Valley, Center County, Pa., is composed of four appointments, namely: St. Luke's, Millheim; Grace, Woodward; Aaronsburg Evangelical; St. John's, Coburn.

The charge was originally a part of Northumberland Circuit, then of Union Circuit, and later Center Circuit. This latter circuit was for some time composed of the following appointments: Millheim, Woodward, Aaronsburg, Green Grove, Union, Musser's (Paradise), Rebersburg, East Bethesda, Madisonburg, Wolf's, Yearick's, Mountain. These classes were gradually changed to other charges, until in 1886, at the annual conference held in Millheim, Center Circuit was changed to comprise the four appointments now constituting the charge. In 1895 the name was changed to Millheim Charge.

Circuits and districts to which the charge has belonged are as follows: Northumberland Circuit, 1807-13; Union Circuit, 1814-15; Center District of Salem District, 1816-43; of Susquehanna District, 1844-48; of Center District, 1849-70; of Williamsport District, 1871-78; of Juniata District, 1879-86; of Center District, 1887-1920 (name of charge being changed to Millheim in 1895); of Lewisburg District, 1921-30; of Williamsport District, 1931-39.

The oldest of the four congregations is Millheim, which marks its beginning in 1806 when the first class in Penn's Valley was organized by George Miller. Prior to that date, in 1805, Jacob Albright held preaching services in the homes of Paul Bachman, George Swartz, Henry and Peter Smith, all in or near Millheim. Local historians record that ministers of the Evangelical Association were the first to organize a congregation in Millheim.

In 1806 a great revival was held in the home of John Wise, near Woodward, which spread over the valley. Prominent among the converts of this meeting were two young brothers who lived in Millheim, Matthias and John Betz, the former of whom became a minister in 1808 but died in 1813, while serving as preacher in charge of Northumberland Circuit to which Millheim Class belonged. Bishop John Seybert was converted through his ministry in Manheim, Lancaster County, April 15, 1810. John Betz moved to Seneca County, Ohio, and was one of the first to receive Evangelical ministers there.

On November 1, 1830, the fourth General Conference of the Evangelical Association was held in the home of John Adam Hennig,

near Woodward, Haines Township. At this conference it was resolved that the church discipline should be translated into English, and important amendments were made in it. Adam Hennig, son of John Adam Hennig, born here March 7, 1794, entered the ministry in 1813 and in 1816 was sent into Ohio to begin Evangelical work there. One of the female descendants of the Hennig family was married to Rev. Conrad Kring, pastor at Millheim in 1824. This couple were the grandparents of Mrs. C. C. Poling, mother of Daniel A. Poling.

Millheim. A frame church was erected in Millheim in 1842 on the site where the present edifice stands. The original building served its purpose well for more than forty years, during which time annual conference was entertained three times (1844, 1848, 1862). This building was replaced by the present brick structure, the cornerstone being laid in 1884 and the church completed and dedicated in February, 1886. In March of the same year annual conference was entertained. The building was renovated in 1913, in 1937 new art-glass windows were installed, and in 1938 redecorated and a new lighting system installed.

Rev. Woodrow A. Bartges is a son of this congregation, and C. H. Breon, prominent layman in the conference, has been a member for more than fifty years.

Woodward. The Woodward Class was originally formed in 1811, following the second great revival on Northumberland Circuit. In June, 1854, a plot of ground in Woodward (then called Taylorsville), was purchased from Daniel Wise (descendant of John Wise, previously mentioned), and his wife Priscilla, for \$20.00 and shortly thereafter a frame church was erected. Before that time preaching services were held in the Wise, Fox, Merk and Hennig homes and in the old schoolhouse north of the village.

A misfortune occurred when the church edifice was nearly completed, when a fire accidentally started and the building burned down. But the folks of this class were undaunted and nobly set themselves to the task of rebuilding immediately.

The congregation (known as St. John's), worshiped here until the division in the denomination, when another congregation (Grace), was formed and early in 1895 the cornerstone of the United Evangelical church was laid by A. Stapleton, and the building erected, being dedicated December 1, 1895, by S. L. Wiest. Following this congregational division, St. John's became a part of the Rebersburg Charge of the Evangelical Association and Grace was on the Millheim United Evangelical Charge. When these two groups again merged in 1922, the two congregations at Woodward continued as

separate units, St. John's being served from Rebersburg and Grace from Millheim. However, on Palm Sunday, March 18, 1929, they merged into one congregation, assuming the name "Grace" and now worshipping in what was originally the United Evangelical building.

W. K. Hosterman, of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and W. L. Ketner, of the East Pennsylvania Conference are both sons of this congregation.

Aaronsburg. A class was in existence at Aaronsburg as early as 1863, meeting wherever places were available. In 1881 a frame church edifice was erected, in which this congregation has continued to worship to the present time. The building was completely remodeled in 1916 at a cost of \$2,000, consisting of painting, lowering the steeple, new roof, digging cellar, new furnace, pews, pulpit furniture, art-glass windows and carpet. The interior was again redecorated in 1937.

Coburn. At Coburn the frame building was built in 1883, where a growing congregation had been organized. This little town was the railroad center of the community and during the busy lumbering days saw much activity, which greatly aided in the growth of the congregation. With the passing of this industry many people moved away and the congregation decreased considerably. In 1911 some improvements were made to the church, and in 1915 it was completely remodeled. The steeple was torn down, the building encased in brick, new lights, art-glass windows, pulpit furniture, and pews installed, and the interior redecorated. It was again redecorated this year (1939) with a new lighting system installed.

For a while after its erection this church was used also by the Lutheran and Reformed congregations—and a union Sunday school conducted. In 1887 the Lutherans withdrew to their newly-erected church and in 1890 the Reformed congregation did likewise, when the Sunday school ceased to be union. A union Sunday school was again effected January 1, 1937, meeting in the Lutheran church, from which the Evangelical group withdrew to form its own organization, January 1, 1939.

Ministers on this charge originally preached in German, and later in both German and English, but finally the German was eliminated.

Sunday schools have been existent in all of the churches practically from the beginning, with a present enrollment of 583.

The charge has always been self-supporting, and has grown consistently until its present membership numbers 448.

Following are the pastors who served this charge: John Walter and Jacob Frey, 1807-08; George Miller and John Dreisbach, 1808-09; John Walter and John Erb, 1809-10; John Dreisbach and David Yerlitz, 1810-11; J. Erb and L.

Zimmerman, 1811-12; L. Zimmerman, J. Buchwalter and F. Shower, 1812-13; M. Betz, R. McCray, A. Buchman, John Stambach, 1813-14; H. Neibel and John Klinefelter, 1814-15; John Stambach, 1816-17; M. Dehoff, 1817-18; L. Zimmerman and J. Peters, 1818-19; J. Stambach and J. Peters, 1819-20; J. Shilling and J. Baumgardner, 1820-21; D. Wolf and M. Dehoff, 1821-22; D. Middlekauff and J. Stoll, 1822-23; J. Breidenstein, A. Becker and J. Foy, 1823-24; P. Wagoner, C. Kring and T. Buck, 1824-25; J. Foy and D. Manweiler, 1825-26; P. Wagoner and S. Tobias, 1826-27; J. Barber and G. Schneider, 1827-28; J. Barber and W. W. Orwig, 1828-29; F. Hoffman and S. G. Miller, 1829-30; J. Barber, 1830-31; P. Wagoner and C. Hesser, 1831-32; P. Wagoner and S. Baumgardner, 1832-33; C. Hesser and J. Young, 1833-34; F. Hoffman and J. M. Sindlinger, 1834-35; J. Brickley and H. Keagel, 1835-36; John Sentsel and H. Keagel, 1836-37; Daniel Berger and W. Heim, 1837-38; Daniel Berger and A. Longsdorf, 1838-39; H. Thomas and H. Rohland, 1839-40; H. Thomas and J. Brobst, 1840-41; J. Barber and J. Heiss, 1841-42; J. Barber and J. Truby, 1842-43; J. Sindlinger and A. Wolf, 1843-44; A. Wolf and Benjamin Hess, 1844-45; H. Rohland and E. Stambach, 1845-46; J. M. Sindlinger and Joseph Dick, 1846-47; Georg Weirick and Benjamin Hengst, 1847-48; E. Stambach and Benjamin Hengst, 1848-49; D. Kehr and C. Lindeman, 1849-50; D. Kehr and A. Krause, 1850-51; George Dellinger and Samuel Kring, 1851-52; George Dellinger and L. May, 1852-53; Philip Wagner and L. May, 1853-54; Benjamin Hengst and A. Krause, 1854-56; Daniel Kramer and J. Henn, 1856-57; Daniel Kramer and Henry Broadbeck, 1857-58; E. Stambach, 1858-60; L. May and Henry Althouse, 1860-61; L. May and J. W. Clair, 1861-62; Jacob Hartzler and Noah Deabler, 1862-63; Henry Althouse and S. T. Buck, 1863-64; M. Walters and D. W. Miller, 1864-65; M. J. Carothers and Moses Walters, 1865-66; Philip Wagner and P. H. Rishel, 1866-67; E. Stambach and S. I. Shortess, 1867-68; Simon Aurand and G. E. Zehner, 1868-70; E. Stambach and J. M. King, 1870-71; E. Stambach and M. Sloat, 1871-72; M. W. Harris and S. Yearick, 1872-73; D. P. Rumberger and E. Swengel, 1873-74; W. H. Stover and P. M. Coup, 1874-75; J. M. Price and D. P. Cline, 1875-76; J. M. Price and H. Berger, 1876-77; C. F. Deininger and J. H. Peters, 1877-78; C. F. Deininger and J. D. Stover, 1878-79; S. Smith and W. H. Hartman, 1879-81; P. C. Weidemeyer and J. M. Dick, 1881-82; P. C. Weidemeyer and J. D. Shortess, 1882-83; Benjamin Hengst and H. A. Benfer, 1883-84; Benjamin Hengst and J. B. Fox, 1884-85; Benjamin Hengst and S. M. Mountz, 1885-86; J. G. M. Swengel, 1886-88; W. H. Stover, 1888-91; C. W. Finkbinder, 1891-94; Noah Young, 1894-95; J. J. Lohr, 1895-99; H. W. Buck, 1899-1902; J. D. Shortess, 1902-03; I. N. Bair, 1903-06; C. F. Garrett, 1906-10; W. J. Dice, 1910-14; W. H. Brown, 1914-18; C. B. Snyder, 1918-25; H. C. Kleffel, 1925-31; A. C. Paulhamus, 1931-37; H. A. Houseal, 1937-39.

MONTOURSVILLE-PENNSDALE

This charge includes Bethel church in the borough of Montoursville, Trinity church in the village of Pennsdales, Muncy Township, and the Mill Creek Union church in Loyalsock Township, Lycoming County. Evangelical preaching began on the charge in 1866 at Oak Run schoolhouse, about two miles north of the present church in Pennsdales. S. E. Davis was the minister on Muncy Circuit at this time. This appointment apparently continued on the Hughesville

Circuit, a later name for the Muncy Circuit, until the erection of a church in Pennsdale.

Pennsdale. In October, 1901, the cornerstone of the Pennsdale church building was laid, and in March, 1902, the building was dedicated. At this time also the Pennsdale appointment was organized with twelve charter members. At the annual conference of 1907, the Pennsdale Mission was organized and consisted of Pennsdale, Ebenezer (formerly on Sonestown Charge), and Glen Hope (formerly on Hughesville Charge). Later Fribley was added and so the charge was constituted until 1927 when Fribley was attached to Sonestown. In that year, Mill Creek and Montoursville were added to Pennsdale and the charge named Montoursville-Pennsdale Mission of the Williamsport District. The Sunday-school enrollment at Pennsdale is 289 and the church membership is 191.

From 1907 to 1927, the following ministers served Pennsdale Mission: W. E. Smith, 1907-10; W. E. Zimmerman and I. M. Pines, 1910-11; J. B. McLaughlin, 1911-15; E. S. Hill, 1915-16; W. N. Wallis, 1916-17; B. F. Keller, 1917-21; M. W. Dayton, 1921-24; D. A. Artman, 1924-25; C. H. Bankes, 1925-27. The following have served the Montoursville-Pennsdale charge as now constituted: C. H. Bankes, 1927-28; I. W. Moyer, 1928-31; H. A. Houseal, 1931-37; S. A. Snyder, Jr., 1937-39. Persons in the gospel ministry who entered from the charge are: C. D. Pewterbaugh from Pennsdale and Lester L. Stabler from Montoursville.

Montoursville. Our work in Montoursville was taken up to care for the increasing number of persons moving into the borough from surrounding charges. First steps toward this were taken in 1921 under the Rev. W. J. Campbell, presiding elder. Services were first held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mont L. Mitcheltree; later in the P. O. S. of A. Hall. The Sunday school was organized in April, 1922. At the 1923 session of conference Montoursville Mission was organized and put under the care of South Williamsport. Because of untoward conditions, the work lapsed for awhile. In 1926, under the leadership of A. J. Thomas, then a licentiate, efforts were begun to secure a meeting place. In September of that year, during the term of W. B. Cox as presiding elder, the present brick dwelling was dedicated by Bishop M. T. Maze as a church, to serve until a true church building could be erected. The following served as pastors up to 1927 when the present charge was formed: J. H. Furner, 1923, A. J. Thomas, March, 1926-Nov. 1926, C. M. Rutter, Nov. 1926-Mar. 1927. The Sunday-school enrollment at Montoursville is 129 and the church membership is 78.

Mill Creek Union church, when it came under the care of the Evangelical Church in 1921, was served by the pastors of the Warrensville Charge. In 1927 it was made a part of the Montoursville-

Pennsdale Charge. This congregation, which meets in a schoolhouse now used only for church purposes, has a membership of 31 and a Sunday-school enrollment of 59.

REBERSBURG

This charge is located in Miles and Gregg Townships, in Brush and Penns Valleys, Center County. The appointments as now constituting the charge are Rebersburg, Madisonburg and Paradise. Paradise was formerly known as "Mosser's" or "Musser's."

The work started in Brush Valley in 1805, when Jacob Albright visited the valley and preached in the home of Christopher Spangler. The stone house built in that year is still standing. The founder of the Evangelical Church also preached in the homes of the Rebers and Fiedlers near Madisonburg. The work has continued regularly since that time.

The first unit of the church building at Rebersburg was erected in 1834. The building in which we now worship is the same, but enlarged at a later date. The church in which we worship at Madisonburg was built in 1854.

The Paradise (Mosser's) church is in Penns Valley. The first church on this site was built in 1831. Sebastian Mosser, a local preacher and farmer in the vicinity, had very largely the oversight of the work here for a number of years. He supervised the construction of both the former and the present buildings, hence the name.

The famous Seventh General Conference, 1839, was held in the original church. Much advanced legislation which had to do with morals and Christian principles was enacted at that conference, as well as that which had to do with administration of the general affairs of the church. The great temperance work, anti-slavery movements, and the missionary cause received impetus. John Seybert was elevated to the episcopacy.

Many camp meetings were held in the early days of the church in which Christopher Spangler and Sebastian Mosser were well-known leaders under the general leadership of the early itinerants. From those camp meetings in Brush and Penns Valleys the work spread to Sugar Valley and beyond. The annual conference of 1838 was held at the Rebersburg church.

Changes have taken place in the boundaries of the charge from time to time, and in a few instances the name has been changed. The territory covered by the Northumberland Circuit from 1808 to 1813 included, with many other places in a vast region, what is now Rebersburg Charge.

From 1836 to 1877 there is no record as to changes in boundaries, districts, or names of preachers who served during that time. From 1808 to 1836 preachers who served those large circuits are listed in Yeakel's History. During the period of the divided church the Association branch of the church was in the East Pennsylvania Conference.

From this locality went a well-known minister of the Central Pennsylvania Conference in the person of Ira E. Spangler, great-grandson of Christopher Spangler, who served as Presiding Elder of the Carlisle District, as well as pastor of a number of the leading churches. Another was Samuel Yearick who has descendants in this section.

Pastors from 1808 to 1835: In the year 1808 the preachers were appointed on Easter Sunday by Jacob Albright. George Miller and John Driesbach, 1808; John Driesbach, Matthew Betz and Henry Niebel, 1809; John Driesbach and David Jerlitz, 1810; John Erb and Leonhart Zimmerman, 1811; Leonhart Zimmerman and Frederick Schauer, 1812; Matthew Betz, Robert McCray, Abraham Buchmann and John Stambach, 1813; David Jerlitz and Michael Walter, 1814; Frederick Schauer and Henry Stauffer, 1815; John Stambach, 1816; Moses Dehoff, Leonhart Zimmerman and John Peters, 1817; Leonhart Zimmerman and John Peters, 1818; John Stambach and Jacob Peters, 1819; John Schilling and Jacob Baumgartner, 1820; David Wolf and Moses Dehoff, 1821; Daniel Middelkauf and John Stoll, 1822; John Breidenstein, Jacob Foy and Abraham Becker, 1823; Philip Wagner, Conrad Kring and Thomas Buck, 1824; Jacob Foy and Daniel Mannwiller, 1825; Philip Wagner and Samuel Tobias, 1826; Jacob Barber and George Schneider, 1827; Jacob Barber and William Orwig, 1828; Solomon G. Miller and Francis Hoffman, 1829; Jacob Barber, 1830; Joseph Saylor, Philip Wagner and Charles Hesser, 1831; Philip Wagner and Samuel Baumgartner, 1832; Charles Hesser and J. Young, 1833; Francis Hoffman and John M. Sindlinger, 1834; John Brickley and Henry Kegel, 1835. (No records available from 1835 to 1877.)

Pastors from 1877 to 1939, Evangelical Association pastors: John Kreamer, 1877-79; W. H. Stover, 1879-82; Noah Young, 1882-83; P. C. Weidemeyer, 1883-86; H. S. Basom, 1886-88; A. Rearick, 1888-90; S. Aurand, 1890-92; D. L. Kepner, 1892-93; S. Kindt, 1893-94; S. I. Shortess, 1894-97; H. H. Romig, 1897-99; A. H. Doerstler, 1899-1902; O. L. Buck, 1902-05; S. G. Haas, 1905-08; E. E. Haney, 1909-11; D. C. Caris, 1911-13; J. W. Romberger, 1913-15; D. C. Caris, 1915-17; H. P. Maneval, 1917-22.

United Evangelical pastors: D. L. Kepner, 1894-95; W. H. Stover, 1895-99; N. J. Dubs, 1899-1902; P. A. Smith, 1902-03; S. Smith, 1903-05; S. A. Snyder, 1905-09; J. B. McLaughlin, 1909-11; J. F. Bingman, 1911-15; E. L. Kessler, 1915-16; J. Womelsdorf, 1816-19; C. E. Hewett, 1919-20; C. B. Shank, 1920-22.

Evangelical Church (merged): M. A. Herman, 1922-24; W. H. Warburton, 1924-26; I. K. Baker, 1926-29; J. R. Schechterly, 1929-32; P. M. Miller, 1932-35; W. L. Kamble, 1935-37; R. A. Babcock, 1937-39.

SALLADASBURG

The Salladasburg Charge is located in Lycoming County, Pa., approximately eighteen miles northwest of Williamsport. This charge is a direct offspring of the old Jersey Shore Circuit. Of the three

churches on the charge, Freidans is the oldest, its history dating back more than 100 years. There is very little information concerning the beginnings of this congregation as the early records have been burned. These people were German and their services originally were conducted in the German language. Some of the members of this church traveled a long distance, usually on foot, to attend the services. As a result they decided to build a church closer to their homes. So the Mt. Pleasant church was built in the summer of 1876 and was dedicated in December of the same year. This church became a part of the Jersey Shore Circuit, of which A. Rearick was the pastor at that time.

About the time of the turn of the century there seemed to be a decline of spiritual interest among the people in Salladasburg. At this juncture C. L. Sones, pastor of the Jersey Shore Circuit from 1901-06, began to conduct services in the Lutheran church and formed a class. Interest was aroused and the Lutheran church became the Bethany Evangelical church of Salladasburg. A separate charge was then formed consisting of Freidans, Mt. Pleasant, and Bethany Evangelical churches. H. S. Basom became the first pastor of this newly-created Salladasburg Charge in 1903.

Greenwood, a schoolhouse appointment, was added sometime later, but it was permanently dropped during the pastorate of E. E. Haney in 1934.

Otherwise there have been no changes: the charge has always been on the Williamsport District and has always been a mission. The present membership is 196; the Sunday-school enrollment, 150.

The pastors who served the charge are: H. S. Basom, 1903-07; W. H. Stover, 1907-10; W. H. Warburton, 1910-14; C. W. Hipple, 1914-16; I. C. Bailey, 1916-19; L. A. Miller, 1919-24; D. A. Ertel, 1924-26; I. W. Moyer, 1926-28; D. P. Smeltzer, 1928-34; E. E. Haney, 1934—died, July 16, 1934, while active; L. P. Markley, August, 1934-38; I. K. Bower, 1939.

SONESTOWN

Sonestown is located in Sullivan County, Pa. During the time of this mission there have been the following preaching places: Sonestown, Nordmont, Franklin, Bethel, Ebenezer, Unityville, Guava, Center, Divide and Waller. Of these only the first six are now active, the others having been closed for various reasons. The first member on the record was received into the church in October, 1846, but there is no record of the minister at that time.

The following pastors served this field: E. Kohr, S. P. Remer, M. W. Croman, J. M. Brader, J. A. Hetner, W. H. Lilley, B. F. Keller, J. W. Messinger, J. E. Miller, G. H. Burrell, J. W. Romberger, E. E. Haney, M. S. Thomas, 1887-88; S. S. Mumey, 1888-91; W. Minsker, 1891-93; W. J. Campbell, 1893-97; G. L. Maice, 1897-98; E. B. Dunn, 1898-1902; J. O. Biggs,

1902-06; W. H. Stover, 1906-07; J. Womelsdorf, 1907-08; J. H. Hertz, 1908-12; J. R. Schechterly, 1912-16; J. F. Rohrbaugh, 1916-20; A. W. Campbell, 1917-20; J. W. Zang, 1920-22; C. S. Messner, 1922-26; D. P. Smeltzer, 1926-28; L. E. Kline, 1928-35; Paul M. Miller, 1935-39; L. P. Markley, 1939.

The present membership of the charge as reported to the last annual conference is 228, and the total Sunday-school enrollment is 461.

STATE COLLEGE (ST. JOHN'S)

State College was first served as a part of the Milesburg Circuit during the close of the last century. Meetings were held in private homes. This work was abandoned about the turn of the century.

The present work was begun by E. Fulcomer, of Bellefonte, Pa. At the first meeting, February 14, 1915 held in the home of W. H. Minnich, eighteen persons were present. For two years services were held on Sunday afternoon in Faith Reformed church.

June 3, 1917, the first regularly appointed minister, N. L. Hummel, began his pastorate. Meetings were held in Faith Reformed church, "Old Main," the Liberal Arts Building and later in the "Odd Fellows Hall."

June 29, 1921, the conference trustees purchased the William B. Beck property as a parsonage on the corner of Beaver Avenue and Burrowes Street, adjacent to the church lot, which had been purchased previously. In July of the same year ground was broken for the Sunday-school unit of the church. June 18, 1922, the congregation proceeded in a body to the new building. The following Sunday the Sunday-school building was dedicated with A. A. Winter as the speaker. The construction of the new building was begun but was not completed under the pastorate of Rev. Hummel, because of the five-year time limit. The church was therefore dedicated under the pastorate of Rev. Keen.

Ministers who have served the congregation are: N. L. Hummel, P. E. Keen, J. F. Hower, C. E. Hewitt, A. C. Ruth, C. C. Mizener and J. W. Zang.

SUGAR VALLEY

Sugar Valley Charge is in Sugar Valley, Clinton County, Pa. E. Stambach and G. W. Currin seem to be the first pastors of this charge, when the charge seems to have been organized in 1872. The early preachers of this charge preached in the German language. The Loganville Class (Loganton) had the first church built (a structure built on a hill with high steps leading to entrance door; the site of that early church being the present site of Evangelical Cemetery on the east side of Loganton), and was served by Z. Hornberger in the year 1869. At the time of the church division a wood-

working shop on the present Loganton church site was purchased, and in 1895 a church was erected in place of the old carpenter shop. This burned in 1918 with half the village of Loganton.

In 1919 a new church and parsonage were erected and dedicated and paid for in three years. This church remains to the present time. There is reliable report that as early as 1841 the first Evangelical Sunday school was in existence, in a building in the southeast part of Loganton. The Logansville Class (Loganton) was the first organized class, according to the old record, this congregation being organized in 1869 with 36 members (charter). However, Mt. Pleasant dates from 1868.

From the old church record book we have the information that there must have been at least seven appointments on the early charge. Names: Logansville (Loganton), Green Grove (Rockey's Class), Sugar Valley Class (Price's church), Tylersville, Mt. Pleasant, Nipponese Class (transferred to Jersey Shore Circuit in 1870); St. Paul's was probably organized about this time or soon after.

The following were appointments added to the charge: Bethel Class—East Sugar Valley (Probably the Eastville church); Grace Chapel Class—near Carroll; Mount Union—north of Carroll on Mountain; Centerville (now Schracktown—two miles west of Loganton); Swissdale—transferred from New Columbia Circuit to Sugar Valley Circuit in 1904; Carroll—built after trouble at Mt. Union church; Greenburg. Those actually taken from the charge were Nipponese, transferred to Jersey Shore and Swissdale congregation, probably transferred to Lock Haven Mission. Those appointments now either in disuse or dismantled or destroyed are: Bethel, Mt. Union, Centerville, Booneville (St. Mark's Class), Green Grove and Old Church at Tylersville, Price's, Eastville. The original charge has not been changed as to boundaries, with the exception of the above noted two appointments. This charge has always been on the Williamsport District.

The names of pastors who served the charge: Z. Hornberger (from old record), 1869-71; E. Stambach and G. W. Currin, 1872; E. Stambach, 1873; D. F. Rumberger, 1874; R. Young, 1875-77; D. P. Kline, 1878-80; J. G. M. Swengel, 1881-83; T. M. Morris, 1884; T. M. Morris and M. I. Jamison, 1885; C. H. Goodling, 1886-87; J. M. Brader, 1888; P. C. Weidemyer and L. E. Kessler, 1889; P. C. Weidemyer and H. B. Barshinger, 1890; P. C. Weidemyer, 1891; P. F. Jarrett, 1892-94; D. P. Schaffer, 1895; C. F. Garrett, 1896-99; L. Dice, 1900-01; A. S. Baumgardner, 1902-03; H. T. Searle, 1904-06; A. L. Burkett, 1907; W. C. Bierly, 1908-09; Ralph Smith, 1910-13; H. C. Kleffel, 1914-17; F. H. Foss, 1918; H. D. Hill, 1919-22; H. P. Maneval, 1923-24; W. L. Kamble, 1925-27; A. C. Paulhamus, 1928-30; L. A. Fuhrman, 1931-35; R. L. Freas, 1936-39.

Parallel list of Association pastors, found in old record book: A. H. Doerstler, 1897-98; H. W. Gross, 1899-1900; J. L. Boyer, 1901-03; J. H. Willauer,

1903-05; W. A. C. Eby, 1906-07; J. W. Romberger, 1907-09; J. H. Rosenberger, 1909-12; ————1913; O. G. Martin, 1914-16; C. W. Horner, 1917-20; C. H. Kichline, 1920-21; E. E. Haney, 1921-22.

The present church membership of the charge is 321 at the six appointments, and the Sunday-school enrollment, 511.

In 1895 the Loganton church was built and in 1896 under C. F. Garrett a wonderful revival took place and many were added to the church. In the year of 1918 the calamity of fire overtook the church as half the town of Loganton burned. However, a new church was built under the administration of H. D. Hill. In three years the present church and parsonage were paid for, and the cost was around \$18,000.

It is said by members of the church that about 40 preachers have come from Sugar Valley and some teachers and business men. A few of those who have gone out from the Valley are: A. D. Gramley, C. N. Wolfe, J. M. Price, now living at Mazeppa, Pa., L. W. Bartges, Fred Solver, John Stover, Harris Stover, Greninger, of Tylersville, Hiram Douty, C. C. Mizener and Adam Bierly.

The following were county superintendents of public schools, Clinton County: Thomas McGee, D. M. Brungard, C. Newton Bartges. This list in no wise includes all of the prominent men who have risen from the membership of the Evangelical church in Sugar Valley.

We are indebted to J. C. Grank, Mrs. George Herman (73, and a member of the church since a little girl), and W. A. Morris (past 70) for some of the information not to be found in records.

WARRENSVILLE CHARGE

There were five appointments on the original Warrensville Circuit, and they were the same as compose the charge today: Warrensville, Rose Valley, Loyalsock, Mt. Zion and Fastners (now named Heilman's). Since 1895 these appointments have composed this charge. From 1878 to 1895 the appointments were: Crescent, Balls Mills, Rose Valley, Warrensville, Loyalsock, Fairview, Fosners or Fastners, and Oburns schoolhouse. There were 130 members in 1878. Balls Mills, Crescent, Fairview and Oburns schoolhouse belonged in 1878 and Quaker Hill was built and added in 1918 but is now closed. The Warrensville church was dedicated in 1860.

The charge has been served by: D. W. Miller, 1877-80; Jacob Young, 1880-81; Reuben Young, 1881-83; C. H. Goodling, 1883-86; W. N. Wallis, 1886-89; J. M. Brader, 1889-90; J. M. King, 1890-93; J. A. Shultz, 1893-96; H. H. Douty, 1896-1900; W. N. Fulcomer, 1900-04; A. S. Bumgardner, 1904-06; W. J. Dice, 1906-10; C. W. Hipple, 1910-14; J. B. Mays, 1914-19; J. M. Dick, 1919-24; J. M. Price, 1924-25; H. P. Maneval, 1925-28; R. L. Freas, 1928-30; L. E. Teter, 1930-34; R. C. Stabler, 1934-38; L. W. Bartges, 1938-39.

The present membership is 251; Sunday-school enrollment, 323.

Revs. C. W. Guinter, G. L. Reeser, Dr. A. A. Winter, Dr. Guy Milnor, Congressman Kiess, Prof. Kiess, Harry Wilson, of J. C. Penny Institute in Florida, and Hon. Mark Milnor, lawyer, were products of this charge.

WEST MILTON

The West Milton Charge consists of three appointments: West Milton, Mt. Zion and Dewart.

West Milton. This appointment was begun under the leadership of H. W. Gross, who was serving as pastor of White Deer Circuit in 1893. Worship services were held in the farmhouse of G. Hoffman. Meetings were conducted here until 1896, when under the leadership of H. A. Stoke, a new brick church was erected on a lot bought and donated by Miss Libby Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Hoffman. There were seventeen charter members. Present membership, 164.

Pastors served as follows: H. W. Gross, 1893-95; H. A. Stoke, 1895-98; J. W. Bentz, 1898-99; W. N. Sanner, 1899-1903; C. H. Goodling, 1903-04; P. C. Weidemyer, 1904-08; H. C. Guthrie, 1908-12; C. C. Mizener, 1912-16. In the year 1916, West Milton appointment and New Columbia were detached from White Deer Circuit and constituted New Columbia mission, and was served by C. D. Moore, 1916-17. In 1917, West Milton was detached from New Columbia mission, and with Mt. Zion which was detached from White Deer, constituted West Milton mission and was served by L. Dice, 1917-18; C. B. Shank, 1918-19; W. C. Hoch, 1919-23; R. S. Daubert, 1923-24; M. A. Herman, 1924-31; T. R. Husler, 1931-39.

West Milton appointment was a mission in the years 1916 to 1933. The Sunday school was conducted prior to the dedication of the church in 1896, in the Third Street schoolhouse, West Milton, Pa. Present enrollment, 226. Charter members still attending and active, Mr. and Mrs. Ammon Hoffman.

Mt. Zion is located about three miles southeast of Milton, Pa. It is commonly called "the Killdeer appointment." It was begun under the leadership of A. H. Irvine, 1871, in a church building (frame), which was used as a union church located on Sodom school ground, Chillisquaque Township, and moved to its present site. Union services continued for a time and constituted Evangelical. Charter members, fourteen. None living.

Pastors served as follows: A. H. Irvine and J. A. Hetner, 1871; A. H. Irvine and J. M. Brader, 1872; H. B. Hartzler and A. W. Bower, 1873; A. W. Shinberger, 1874-77; H. W. Buck, 1877-79; S. P. Remer, 1879-81; H. A. Stoke, 1881-83; J. A. Irvine, 1883-85; C. W. Finkbinder, 1885-87; A. H. Irvine, 1887-90; G. W. Currin, 1890-91; H. W. Gross, 1891-93; M. F. Fosselman, 1893-94. Up to this year (1894) this was a part of Milton station and

served by pastors from Milton. In 1894, Mt. Zion was detached from Milton station and with Dewart from White Deer Circuit and Watsonstown, Chillis-quaque, Capp's Siding constituted Milton Circuit and was served by W. C. Hoch, 1894-95; F. H. Foss, 1895-96. In 1896, Washingtonville Circuit was added to Milton Circuit and served by E. B. Dunn, 1896-98; C. E. Redeker, 1898-99; J. W. Bentz, 1899-1900; J. O. Biggs, 1900-02; J. A. Foss, 1902-05; J. F. Bingman, 1905-09; I. M. Pines, 1909-10; W. E. Smith, 1910-11; H. C. Kleffel, 1911-14; A. C. Paulhamus, 1914-16. In 1916, Milton Circuit was attached to White Deer Circuit and was served by W. K. Shultz, 1916-17. In 1917, Mt. Zion appointment was detached from White Deer Circuit and with West Milton appointment from New Columbia Mission, was constituted West Milton Mission and was served by L. Dice, 1917-18; C. B. Shank, 1918-19; W. C. Hoch, 1919-23; R. S. Daubert, 1923-24; M. A. Herman, 1924-31; T. R. Husler, 1931-39.

Present membership is 52. Sunday-school work began in 1871; present enrollment, 81. The church building was blown down by a tornado in 1896. Meetings continued in Fetzer schoolhouse till church was rebuilt in 1900. Land for this church was donated by Thomas Satteson.

Dewart. Evangelical meetings were probably held as early as 1877, in the Old Academy owned by John Russell, near Dewart, Pa. About 1880 the church building (frame) used for union services was bought by Evangelicals and moved from "Stony Batter" one and one-half miles north of Dewart, to Dewart, present site. There are eleven charter members.

Pastors serving were: George Joseph, 1877-78; G. W. Currin, 1879-81; G. E. Zehner, 1882; W. H. Lilley, 1883; D. W. Miller, 1884; S. P. Remer, 1885; S. Smith, 1886-87; J. M. Price, 1888-90; J. H. Welch, 1891-92; H. W. Gross, 1893; W. C. Hoch, 1894; F. H. Foss, 1895; E. B. Dunn, 1896-97; C. E. Redeker, 1898; J. W. Bentz, 1899; J. O. Biggs, 1900-01; J. A. Foss, 1902-04; J. F. Bingman, 1905-08; I. M. Pines, 1909; W. E. Smith, 1910; H. C. Kleffel, 1911-13; A. C. Paulhamus, 1914-15; W. K. Shultz, 1916-18; J. B. Mays, 1919-24; M. A. Herman, 1925-30; T. R. Husler, 1931-39. Sunday school was held at first in old academy in 1877 and continued to present time. Present enrollment, 36. Dewart appointment was on White Deer Circuit, Lewisburg District, 1877-78; White Deer Circuit, Williamsport District, 1888-93; Milton Circuit, Lewisburg District, 1894-1915; White Deer Circuit, Williamsport District, 1916-18; White Deer Circuit, Lewisburg District, 1919-24; West Milton Mission, Lewisburg District, 1925-29; West Milton Mission, Williamsport District, 1930-32; West Milton charge, Williamsport District, 1933-39. Present membership, nine.

WHITE DEER

White Deer Charge consists of three churches: New Columbia, White Deer and Alvira. All are in Union County. The charge began with a class organized in New Columbia sometime prior to 1839. There is an existing deed to a plot of ground bought by the trustees of the New Columbia congregation for the purpose of erect-

ing a church building. This deed is dated April 17, 1839. The church itself was built in 1843. In 1896 a new structure was erected on a new site, its present location. This was remodeled in 1927.

It was at the eleventh Annual Conference in New Columbia in 1850 that J. Dunlap offered a resolution that "this conference establish an academy within its bounds." As a result of this resolution, Union Seminary was founded in New Berlin, Pennsylvania, in 1855.

The White Deer congregation erected a church building in 1876 at a cost of \$1,200. This edifice was dedicated February 4, 1877.

On January 7, 1877, a church building was dedicated, known as the Spring Creek church. In this same year this congregation established a Sunday school. In 1885 the Spring Creek church was moved to Alvira and rebuilt at a cost of \$1,200.

Originally known as Buffalo Circuit, the various appointments became for the first time a distinct and separate charge in 1872 when the name was changed to White Deer Charge.

Many classes were added and taken away during the years. In 1856 the list included: Smoketown, Salem and Lewisburg, Hartleton, Spruce Run, New Columbia, Hightown, Elimsport, Wisetown (Alvira), Furnace, Forest Hill, Orwig's, William Ranck's and J. Ranck's classes.

In subsequent years the following additions were made: North White Deer, White Deer Mills (White Deer), Zion, Emanuel's and Wolf's classes, 1861; Union, 1862; Ramsey, Pike School House and East Union, 1871; Hurley, 1879; Dewart, 1880; Bennage's class, 1884; Robins, 1885; Montgomery and Allenwood, 1888; Hillside, 1891; West Milton, 1893; Pleasant Hill, Kelly Cross Roads, 1895; Fairview and Pleasant View, 1898.

The following classes disappear from the list in the following years: Orwig's, Spruce Run, William Ranck's, J. Ranck's, Hightown and Furnace, 1861; Emanuel, 1862; Hartleton, Zion and Wolf's, 1871; Hurley's, 1880; Salem, Forest Hill, Union, Pike's School House and East Union, 1884; Elimsport, 1887; Allenwood and Montgomery, 1889; North White Deer, 1890; Hillside, 1893; Bennage's and Robbins, 1895; Pleasant Hill, 1898; Fairview, Pleasant View, 1899; Furnace, 1900, and Kelly Cross Roads, 1903.

In 1916 the appointments constituting Milton Circuit were added to White Deer, Alvira, Zion and Dewart. New Columbia was detached from the White Deer Charge and with West Milton constituted New Columbia Mission. New Columbia, however, was placed back on White Deer Charge in 1917. Zion and Dewart were detached in 1917 and 1925 respectively. Thus 1925 marks the beginning of White Deer Charge in its present form.

The charge was a part of Lewisburg District of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, 1879-87, 1919-29; Williamsport District, 1888-1918, 1930 to the present.

The present membership is 287. The Sunday-school enrollment is 490.

Samuel C. Ranck of New Columbia holds the oldest membership on the charge and is one of the prominent laymen of the Evangelical Church.

The following ministers have served White Deer Charge: 1842-51 (no record); 1852, I. M. Young; 1853-54, Henry Keagle; 1855-56, B. F. Hall; 1857-58, J. C. Farnsworth; 1859-60, A. Langsdorf; 1861, H. Hartzler; 1862, S. T. Buck; 1863, H. A. Dietrich; 1864, S. W. Seibert; 1865-66, M. W. Harris; 1867-68, S. D. Bennington; 1869-70, H. W. Buck; 1871, H. Conrad; 1872, William H. Davis; 1873, George Hunter; 1874, E. Kohr; 1875, P. W. Raidabaugh; 1876-78, J. Monroe Brader; 1879-81, G. W. Currin; 1882, G. E. Zehner; 1883, W. H. Lilley; 1884, D. W. Miller; 1885, S. P. Remer; 1886-1887, Samuel Smith; 1888-90, J. M. Price; 1891-92, J. H. Welch; 1893-94, H. W. Gross; 1895-97, H. A. Stoke; 1898, J. W. Bentz; 1899-1902, W. M. Sanner; 1903, C. H. Goodling; 1904-06, P. C. Weidemeyer; 1907-11, H. C. Guthrie; 1912-15, C. C. Mizener; 1916-18, W. K. Shultz; 1919-25, John B. Mays; 1926-32, J. W. Zang; 1933-37, B. F. Heiser; 1938-39, L. L. Stabler.

WILLIAMSPORT CIRCUIT

Williamsport Circuit as now constituted is located on the outskirts of the city of Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pa. It includes the congregations of Eagle, Balls Mills and Heshbon.

Evangelical preaching was first begun on the charge in the year 1830 by John Seybert in the community of what was then called Blooming Grove and which in later years became the Balls Mills Class. "During this year (1830) Brother J. Seybert, who was then presiding elder of Salem District found open doors in Blooming Grove, Lycoming County. In Blooming Grove there was great opposition, Brother Seybert being looked upon as a magician. In order to get rid of his magic, a number of certificates of baptism and a German copy of the New Testament, which had been bought from him were burned. But in later years our preachers gained a firm footing there and a good society was formed, which has been in a prosperous condition ever since."—*Orwig*.

Services were first held in the homes and later in the schoolhouses until 1867 when the first church was built at what is now Balls Mills. Balls Mills appointment was a part of the Williamsport Circuit which at that time included the churches which now comprise the Warrensville and Lycoming Circuits, until the year 1897 when the Balls Mills Class was taken from the circuit and added to the South Williamsport Mission which included the Grace church of South Williamsport and the Eagle Class,

The work on the Eagle appointment was first begun by the pastor of the Bennett Street church of Williamsport, H. W. Buck, in the year 1869, although it is said that services were held prior to this time.

Rev. Hunter became pastor in 1871, followed by I. M. Pines, 1872; Irvine, 1875; W. E. Detwiler, 1878; M. J. Carothers, 1880; J. C. Reeser, 1881; H. W. Gross, 1884; G. W. Currin, 1886; H. A. Benfer, 1889.

At the conference session of 1891 the South Williamsport Class and the Eagle Class were put together and called the South Williamsport Mission. This mission was served by H. Minsker, 1891; Benjamin Hengst, 1892; G. L. Burson, 1893; S. E. Koontz, 1894, under whose pastorate the church at Eagle was built in 1895 at a cost of \$2,790.

At the conference session of 1897 the Balls Mills appointment was added to the South Williamsport Mission and in the following year C. L. Sones was appointed pastor and served until 1901. J. M. King, 1901-05, under whose pastorate the parsonage at Eagle was built. It should be noted that Rev. King was the first pastor of Williamsport Circuit as it is known today; at the conference session of 1901 South Williamsport Class was detached from the circuit and the Heshbon Class added. This was the beginning of the Williamsport Circuit as it is known today.

The work began here as a union Sunday school and preaching was done by the Methodists and Evangelicals as early as the year 1845, at which time a school building was erected for school purposes and religious services. About 1891 or 1892 W. H. Lilley, pastor of St. John's church, Newberry, established the work more firmly. He is the first pastor of whom we have any record. This church was served from St. John's, Newberry, until it became a part of Williamsport in 1901. In 1919 the first church building was erected under the pastorate of J. H. Ricker.

The following pastors have served the circuit as it was constituted in 1901 and as it remains today: J. M. King, 1901-05; J. Womeldorf, 1905-07; J. Shambach, 1907-11; Levi Dice, 1911-15; C. J. Dick, 1915-17; J. H. Ricker, 1917-20; W. E. Smith, 1920-26; R. L. Freas, 1926-28; W. E. Grove, 1928-35; J. F. Diehl, 1935-39; R. M. Jarret, 1939.

The present church membership is 293; Sunday-school enrollment, 395.

WILLIAMSPORT (FIRST) CHURCH

The First Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., traces its history back to 1852, when it was called the Williamsport appointment of the Lycoming Circuit. Evangelical work in Lycoming County dates back to the annual conference session at New Berlin, Pa., June 4, 1832, with Thomas Buck, president, and John Seybert, secretary.

For many years the preaching was in the German language. The first preaching place was a frame building dedicated in 1852, located on Market Street. That building was replaced by a new brick building, trimmed in white, in 1904. The congregation worshiped there until the merger of the two congregations in 1924, when the two bodies moved into the new building at Market and Packer Streets.

The Sunday-school work began as early as 1878 and numbered 235, with missionary contributions of \$101.

At the annual conference session, 1860, held in the Williamsport church, the appointment was detached from the Lycoming Circuit and named the Williamsport Mission of the Evangelical Association. W. W. Orwig was the presiding bishop. This field has been the place of meeting for the following annual conference sessions of the Central Pennsylvania Conference: 1860, '77, '83, '89, '92, 1900, '20, '30; and the General Conference, 1926.

In the spring of 1869 about sixty of the younger members of the church decided to organize an English mission. For a time they held their services in the old Mulberry school building. S. T. Buck was the pastor. Other official members present were John Heisley, Fred Glosser, Abraham Glosser and John Winter.

At the second quarterly conference, July 17, 1869, the following committee was appointed and instructed to secure a lot and erect a chapel: W. W. Rhoads, John Heisley, Enoch Fritz, John Winter and Ferdinand Dittmar. The latter part of the same year the committee's work was completed and the Trinity Chapel of the Evangelical Association, located on Bennet Street, Williamsport, Pa., was dedicated, but the congregation was generally known as Bennet Street Mission. It was made a station in March, 1889. Later the English language was introduced.

At the time of the unfortunate division in the general church, the Market Street congregation remained with the Evangelical Association group and the Bennet Street Mission joined with the United Evangelical Church.

The merger of the Evangelical branches in 1922 was a great blessing to the work of the church in Williamsport. November 23, 1924, the beautiful granite church, built on the triangular plot of ground between Market, Paker and Ross Streets, was dedicated by Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, D.D., and the congregations from the Mother church and the Bennet Street church merged and worshiped as one large congregation. The present membership is nearly 900. The average attendance of the Sunday school is 500. The cost of the new building was a little more than a quarter million dollars. At the present time, fifteen years later, the debt has been reduced to approximately twenty

thousand dollars, counting the annuities and the other property on hand. A. D. Gramley was the pastor during the building operations of the church; J. C. Winter was the architect and superintendent of the construction.

The following persons are among those who have entered the gospel ministry from First church: C. W. Finkbinder, James F. Hower, H. C. Guthrie, Reed O. Steely, Jacob Zang, Harry P. Maneval, Seward Kresge, Ivan Moyer. Harry Buck, Jr., son of the present pastor, is now a theological student at Albright College. He expects to be licensed to preach the gospel at the 1940 annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

The former pastors of the Market Street church were as follows: C. R. Price, P. Wagner, S. Smith, John Kreamer, Abraham Krause, S. Yearick, D. W. Miller, E. Kohr, J. Young, A. Stapleton, T. M. Morris, A. Rearick, W. H. Stauffer, C. C. Moyer, J. A. Wiegand, J. W. Boyer, S. G. Hass, A. S. Kresge, I. F. Heisler, W. I. Miller, P. V. Taylor and J. H. Rosenberger.

The pastors who served the Bennet Street church were: S. T. Buck, George Hunter, I. M. Pines, A. H. Irvine, W. E. Detwiler, J. A. Irvine, M. J. Carothers, J. C. Reeser, H. W. Gross, G. W. Currin, H. A. Benfer, J. A. Hollenbaugh, H. A. Benfer (second pastorate), M. F. Fosselman, J. F. Dunlap, Edward Crumbling, C. W. Finkbinder, C. I. Raffensberger, A. D. Gramley.

The following have served at the present location: A. D. Gramley, A. F. Weaver, J. H. Fleckenstine, J. W. Thompson and H. M. Buck.

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT (GRACE)

During the years 1887 and 1888, a group of Christian folk composed of Methodists, Lutherans and Evangelicals began holding cottage prayer meetings in the borough of South Williamsport. Moved by the spirit of these meetings, Mr. William Miller, a member of the group, in September, 1889, solicited the coöperation of his pastor, H. A. Benfer, minister of Bennet Street, later called First Evangelical church, Williamsport, Pa., in organizing the group into an Evangelical congregation. A church building vacated by a sister denomination when they moved into a new and more commodious edifice was rented. From the beginning our church, called Grace United Evangelical Chapel, and the church at Eagles, Loyalsock Township, were both served from Bennet Street. Grace Chapel was built in 1890 by H. A. Benfer. It was a one-room frame building the size of the present church worship auditorium exclusive of the classrooms which were attached to the auditorium sometime later. In 1907 an additional room was added to be used as a prayer room, and at the same time the entrance was changed as well as the whole floor plan. A heating plant, electric lights and pews were installed and new carpet laid. In 1912 the Ladies' Aid Society purchased the parsonage and presented it to the congregation. Then in 1924 two

additional rooms, a basement and a belfry were added to the church and the parsonage enlarged. In 1938 the church exterior was cement stuccoed.

The names of the pastors who served the charge are: H. A. Benfer, 1889-91; Harry Minsker, 1891; Benjamin Hengst, 1892-93; George L. Burson, 1893-94; S. E. Koontz, 1894-98 (in 1897, Balls Mills was added and the charge was known as Williamsport Circuit); C. L. Sones, 1898-1901; A. C. Price, 1901-05 (Grace church detached from Williamsport Circuit and became a mission); R. P. Maue, 1905-06; M. W. Stahl, 1906-07; G. W. Currin, 1907-11; J. M. King, 1911-12; G. W. Currin, 1912-17; I. N. Bair, 1917-22; J. H. Furner, 1922-27; J. W. Kreckler, 1927-31; F. L. Teter, 1931-34; L. M. Dice, 1934-38; H. A. Klingeman, 1938-39.

The church school enrollment of Grace church at the present time is 230. The church membership is 213.

WILLIAMSPORT (ST. JOHN)

Work was begun in a frame building on Race Street by a small group about 1871. This church, known as St. John's Mission, including what is now Heshbon, was served by George Hunter, who was pastor at First Evangelical church on Bennet Street.

Pastors who served were: R. J. Derrick, 1872-74; S. T. Buck, 1874-76; P. W. Group, 1876-79; J. C. Reeser, 1879-81; M. Sloat, 1881-83; J. M. King, 1883-85; Thomas Morris, 1885-88; E. Kohr, 1888-91; H. S. Basom, 1891-92; W. H. Lilley, 1892-96; J. F. Schultz, 1896-97; W. B. Cox, 1897-1901; W. E. Detwiler, 1901-03; G. W. Currin, 1903-07; M. F. Fosselman, 1907-11; D. L. Kepner, 1911-13; E. B. Dunn, 1913-17; E. C. Basom, 1917-22; J. O. Biggs, 1922-26; G. C. Gabriel, 1926-31; F. H. Sanders, 1931-39; E. J. Bayne, 1939.

For about one year from October 13, 1894, to December 6, 1895, the congregation met in Central Hall, on Arch Street, during which time the present church edifice, located at 2101 Newberry Street, was being erected under the leadership of W. H. Lilley, at a cost of \$7,362.23, with Samuel F. Losch, George L. Berry, Charles D. Carns, Jonathan Fisher and Jonathan Neff as trustees. Bishop Rudolph Dubs dedicated this church October 27, 1895. In 1901, Heshbon went off this charge and in 1907 the last missionary appropriation was received.

The Sunday school was organized in 1876 under S. T. Buck, with W. M. Stultz serving as superintendent and continuing for sixteen years. At the end of sixteen years the average attendance was 100. The following have served in the capacity of superintendent: W. M. Morris, Aaron Mackey, W. J. Bird, J. C. Newcomer, H. C. Adams and C. R. Harer.

The present parsonage was erected during the pastorate of G. W. Currin in 1905. The church was enlarged in 1908 under M. F. Fosselman. Steel ceilings and redecorating were done in 1916 and in

1917 a pipe organ was installed, and other improvements were made by E. C. Basom.

On January 12, 1936, during the pastorate of F. H. Sanders, a two-story brick educational building was dedicated by Bishop John S. Stamm, which cares for the children's division: Junior, Primary, Beginners and Nursery Departments, and the Mothers' Class. This division has an enrollment of 286 scholars and 36 teachers.

The present membership of St. John's church is 821 and the present enrollment of church school is 1,014, including Home Department and Cradle Roll. There have been 1,483 conversions.

Three ministers have been recommended by this church and received license for the ministry: James Schultz, Alfred Thomas and Carl Young.

Seven of the pastors have become district superintendents. One, Rev. F. H. Sanders, became Superintendent of Evangelical Homes in 1938.

The Central Pennsylvania Conference was entertained in this church in 1896, 1910, 1924 and 1938.

There are six members at the present time who have been members for 55 years or more.

WILLIAMSPORT (ST. PAUL)

In the year 1888, G. W. Currin, then pastor at Williamsport, First church, gathered a group of Evangelicals, living midway between First church and St. John's, for prayer and fellowship. This group became the nucleus of St. Paul's. Near the end of the conference year, they secured a site at 1412 Erie (now Memorial) Avenue, and erected a small hemlock chapel. The conference session in March, 1889, assigned M. J. Snyder to serve as pastor of the new St. Paul's Mission.

In 1895, during the pastorate of M. I. Jamison, the chapel was replaced by a brick church and Sunday school. The new building was dedicated by Bishop R. Dubs on December 22, 1895.

In 1900 the parsonage was built during the pastorate of G. W. Currin. In 1910 the Sunday-school building was enlarged, while S. S. Mumey was pastor. In 1923, under E. C. Basom, the pipe organ was installed; also the basement was improved and made usable.

The mission became a station, with a membership of 231, in 1915. Seventeen men, including the present pastor, have served the congregation. Two sons of the congregation, W. E. Grove and Kenneth I. Bower, are in the active ministry of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. The congregation has always been liberal in its support

of the missionary and benevolent interests of the denomination. The present membership is 460. The average attendance at Sunday school for 1938 was 348.

This year the congregation is celebrating its 50th anniversary. The program is extended through the year and aims to reach spiritual as well as temporal objectives.

Register of pastors: M. J. Snyder, 1889-90; J. W. Thompson, 1890-92; M. I. Jamsion, 1892-96; J. A. Hollenbaugh, 1896-98; S. P. Remer, 1898-99; G. W. Currin, 1899-1903; W. M. Sanner, 1903-05; L. M. Dice, 1905-09; S. S. Mumey, 1909-11; J. W. Messinger, 1911-14; A. Stapleton, 1914-17; W. J. Campbell, 1917-19; M. F. Fosselman, 1919-22; E. C. Basom, 1922-26; N. L. Hummel, 1926-32; W. I. Shambaugh, 1932-36; I. R. Dunlap, 1936-39.

WILLIAMSPORT (TRINITY)

The Trinity church in Williamsport was started in 1925 with a Sunday school which met in a local public schoolhouse. The first congregation was formed in 1926 with eight charter members and consisted of two appointments: Heshbon and Trinity. Since then Heshbon was taken from the mission. The church building was dedicated in 1927 by Bishop S. C. Breyfogel, at a cost of \$16,000. There is an adequate parsonage on the mission, built in 1930 at a cost of \$6,500.

The following missionaries have served this mission: F. A. Huff, 1926; E. Crumbling, 1927-29; D. F. Young, 1930-38; J. B. Mays, 1939.

The present membership is 270, with a Sunday-school enrollment of 410.

CHAPTER XII

SOME CONFERENCE LEADERS

BISHOP JOHN SAMUEL STAMM, A.M., B.D., D.D., LL.D.

Bishop Stamm was born in the "Sunflower State"—Kansas—exceptionally rich in soil and substance, agriculturally very productive, in minerals profuse, settled by an intelligent class of people who put value upon education and religious training. His boyhood days were spent on a farm. In early life he took to books as the busy bee takes to flowers. Later he matriculated in the Evangelical schools in Naperville, Illinois, graduating from North Central College in 1909 and from the Evangelical Theological Seminary in 1910. In 1926, he received his Master of Arts degree from the University of Chicago.

He was appointed as assistant student-pastor of Shelby Mission, Missouri, in 1899, and served one year as a lay preacher without license. The Kansas Conference in 1900 granted him license to preach the Gospel. He received his ordination as deacon in 1902 and as elder in 1905. His ministerial career runs clear and strong like a laughing brook freighted with unusual activities: 1899-1901, assistant pastor of Shelby Mission, Missouri; 1901-1905, Glasgow Mission, Missouri; 1905-1907, Manhattan Mission, Illinois Conference; 1907-1912, First Evangelical church, Downers Grove, Ill.; 1912-1919, First Evangelical church, Oak Park, Ill. In 1919, he was elected to the position of Professor of Systematic Theology in the Evangelical Theological Seminary, at Naperville, Illinois, and for eight busy, studious years he served in this high and important position. His contribution as a professor and teacher was appreciated more and more as the years ripened his experience. At the memorable General Conference held in the First Evangelical church of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, in 1926, this stalwart, studious, young Evangelical professor was elected bishop of the Evangelical Church. He is the official head of the Evangelical School of Theology at Reading, Pennsylvania. He has episcopal duties plus presidential duties. He is the author of an excellent volume, "Evangelism and Christian Experience," and of a booklet, "Standards of Evangelical Evangelism." His articles in the *Evangelical-Messenger* are read with great profit and cultural results.

He was delegated by the Church to visit Europe, in 1935 and 1938, and preside over the European conferences. This he did with favor

and acceptability. Thousands flocked to hear him in Germany, Switzerland, Latvia, etc., and his impress and forceful impact on these devotional people were telling. In 1935, he and his talented wife, visited the Holy Land. He preaches with great acceptability and makes a splendid impression wherever he goes.

REV. PHILLIP WAGONER

Phillip Wagoner was born near Carlisle, Pennsylvania, November 22, 1800, and grew up among the fields and furrows of a farm, attending the common schools of his day, mastering the three "R's." He was spiritually inclined and entered the active ministry in 1822. In 1833, the year the stars fell in such profusion that the meteoric shower created fear and high tensioned awe, he was elected to the office of presiding elder. He was very efficient in this important office insomuch, that he was reelected again and again maintaining this relationship for almost a quarter of a century. In the early days before bishops, he frequently served as the president of the conference, and was an outstanding member of ten General Conferences. His services to the church were very valuable, and his name appears in the many thrilling chapters of its history.

He was great in soul, great in mind, and great in body. A very powerful voice came from his very powerful body. He had an excellent command of two languages, for he could exercise fluently in both the German and the English tongue. He had what they called in those days, "a splendid camp-meeting voice." Dr. A. Stapleton says, "I heard P. Wagoner preach an unusually powerful sermon in 1868, at a camp-meeting in Centerville, now Penns Creek, Snyder County, on the text: 'But one thing is needful.' In the course of his sermon, he expressed the wish that the Lord would permit him to complete half a century of active service in the Evangelical ministry. Should this hope be denied him, he prayed God that he might die with the harness on." This desire was granted, for he labored until within a few days of his death on his field at Williamsport, Pa. The date of his coronation was February 15, 1870, and his age 69 years, 3 months, and 22 days. His remains repose in the beautiful cemetery at Lewisburg.

REV. JACOB BOAS

Jacob Boas was born in Reading, Pennsylvania, November 15, 1815 and died April 4, 1884. He attended the public schools of his community and early in life gave evidence of becoming a useful man. He was converted when but a youth and received license to preach the Gospel when 18 years of age. He registered as an Evangelical

minister of the East Pennsylvania Conference, and during his fruitful pastorate in Erie, Pennsylvania, he introduced protracted meetings in 1836. The following year he was sent to Illinois where he laid the foundations of the Evangelical work in Chicago, Naperville, etc.

In 1840 he was sent to Baltimore, Maryland, and founded the thrifty congregations at Green Street and McEldry Street, and his labors were crowned with great success. In 1848 he was elected a presiding elder of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and served two terms. Rev. Boas was a man of fine physique, commanding appearance, and excellent natural talents. He taught that Christianity was cosmopolitan. The genius of the Gospel is too expansive to limit itself to a solitary shrine. Jacob Boas made a pious trail among the Evangelicals.

Rev. Boas trained himself to think logically, concisely, convincingly and conclusively. He was noted for his clearness of thought, his aggressiveness, his knowledge of the Scriptures, his fluency in speech, his terseness in elocution. He was a crusader because he had an urge. The missionary cause had a staunch and strenuous proponent in this heroic young itinerant. He was the first missionary to open up the work of our denomination in Chicago, the metropolis of the West. He was the mustard seed of the Illinois Conference. His eloquence and pleasing personality won to him and to the Evangelical Church the energetic, diligent frontiersmen. He preached among them. He visited them. He exhorted them. For 50 years and more he stood forth unabashed, unafraid, in a victorious identification with Christ and the great interests of the Evangelical Church. He attended the sessions of the Central Pennsylvania Conference at Williamsport, March 5, 1883, for the last time. He lived at Carlisle, and died in the triumphs of faith, April 4, 1884, and is buried at the Kutz's church just east of Carlisle. His daughter, Lillian, was married to Jesse M. Ettinger, a prominent minister of the Central Pennsylvania Conference. The following inscription was copied by the writer, while visiting his grave:

"I would not live always,—
No, welcome the tomb,
Since Jesus has lain there I dread not its gloom;
There sweetly, be my rest till he bid me arise,
To hail him in triumph descending the skies."

REV. EMANUEL KOHR

Emanuel Kohr was born in York County, Pennsylvania, September 24, 1823. He grew up among the hills of York County, attended the schools of his day and in early life, at the age of 16, was converted, receiving license to preach in 1843. He was married to one of the

Haines' daughters at Freysville, and entered the active ministry in 1844. In 1858 he was elected presiding elder and served on Center District, 1858-1862; Baltimore District, 1862-1865; Susquehanna District, 1866-1870; Baltimore District, 1870-1871, when his health gave way and he was compelled to resign. In 1872 he became effective, and 1875 was again elected presiding elder, and served Baltimore District in 1875-1876; Carlisle District, 1876-1879; Juniata District, 1879-1880; York District, 1880-1883. Again he took a superannuated relationship and became effective in 1886, continuing the work until 1891, when he became superannuated again and for the last time, because of failing health.

E. Kohr was a giant in the pulpit and he had few if any superiors in the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He was adjudged to be one of the ablest men of the Church. Beginning with 1851 he was a delegate to ten consecutive General Conferences, and in the councils of the church his services were of tremendous value. He filled many positions of importance, and for many years served on the Board of Publication.

Rev. Kohr served faithfully for 51 years, doing so with great acceptability and marked success. He was connected beneficially with every great enterprise of the Evangelical Church. With fidelity, dignity and grace he served the Church, and his advice was eagerly sought on all far-reaching issues and on questions of importance both in the annual and general conferences. "Many were the sheaves he gathered into God's garner, and many-multiplied will be the stars in his crown of rejoicing."

His dying testimony was: "Physically, I am very sick, but spiritually, I am well. I have a living hope of a blessed immortality. Jesus is my friend. He is with me (This is a short sentence but full of values). The Gospel I preached so long sustains me now." He received his coronation August 19, 1894, aged 70 years, 10 months, and 26 days. He rests in quietude at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

REV. M. J. CAROTHERS

Martin J. Carothers was born in Plainfield, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, on the 14th day of August, 1825. In the McCalister church, one of the appointments of Big Spring charge, young Carothers attended the evangelistic services and was converted in February, 1843. In 1846 he was licensed in the First Evangelical church at New Berlin. He was also received into the itinerancy and was appointed to Bedford Circuit with J. L. W. Seiber.

M. J. Carothers served his annual conference as a delegate to the general conference eleven times covering a period of forty-four years.

He was a man of imposing posture, commanding attitude, fine presence, potential leadership and was regarded as a master in the pulpit. He excelled as a debater. In his defense of truth and right, in the upholding of church discipline and ecclesiastical law, his voice was potent. He was a born leader.

He became prominent in early life and maintained his high position throughout his dignified and successful ministerial career. His body rests at Newville, Pennsylvania, since March, 1897. His absence was keenly felt at our annual conference sessions.

M. J. Carothers was one of the early champions who pled for the use of the English language in the Evangelical Church. Many of the children of German parents went to other churches on account of the language question. Pennsylvania Germans were slow to see this point and make the adjustments. Rev. Carothers was the English sky-pilot of the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

The Educational interests had a stalwart promoter and potential leader in him. Our conference and the entire denomination, for that matter, owe a great deal to this outstanding official leader. He stepped in where others had stepped out. He opened the doors of Union Seminary by his sacrificial financial support in the dark days of its struggling history.

REV. C. F. DEININGER

C. F. Deininger was an able, vigorous, versatile, fiery gospel preacher who entered the Evangelical ministry in 1850. He was born in Berks County, Pa., January 4, 1826, and was married to Mary Reesman in 1849. He died at York on July 17, 1888. He was able to preach with equal ease and fluency in German and English, had strong social powers and excelled as an evangelistic preacher of fine intellectual ability, a well cultivated and richly stored mind, and was highly honored by his brethren. He was sent in 1864 as the first missionary to the Pacific Coast. After a sojourn of a few years he returned to the Central Conference and was elected presiding elder and served Carlisle and York Districts. He was a tower of strength and was delegate to the 1875 General Conference in Philadelphia and offered a resolution to take up a mission in Japan. Through his preaching in New Berlin two young students were converted and became outstanding in the annals of the Evangelical Church—Dr. Stapleton, the historian, and Bishop S. C. Breyfogle.

REV. BENJAMIN HENGST

Benjamin Hengst was born in Yorkana, York County, Pennsylvania, in 1826 and lived to the age of 81 years, sixty-one of which were given to the Gospel ministry. He grew up on a farm in the

"Judean Hill Country" of York County, and attended the public schools of his day. He was very active and alert. There was a rather peculiar genius in his movements. Wit and native humor, a strong eccentricity and a sunny temperament, in addition to his idiosyncrasies, made him a very popular pastor. He was a good linguist with a versatility all his own, and many-sided in his theological approaches, and was able to preach in the German language. What Spurgeon was to England that Rev. B. Hengst in a degree, was to the German wing of the Evangelical church in the Central Pennsylvania Conference in his day. In 1856, he was elected a presiding elder. He was stationed and restationed to the German congregations in Baltimore, Maryland, for many years. He was popular among those European Germans. In his preaching he was Biblical, instructive, inspirational, fearless, and constantly emphasized the doctrine of repentance, true conversion, and godly living. His numerous spicy articles in the church periodicals were read with profit.

REV. JACOB YOUNG

Jacob Young was born in a pioneer Evangelical preacher's home. It was in Union County, Pa., that little Jacob first saw the light, August 24, 1829. There were thirteen little Youngs in the Young family and Jacob was one of the five boys. He grew up on the teachings and domestic worship periods of his preacher-father and pious mother. He attended the public schools. Jacob had an avidity for good books. His omnivorous reading and discriminate thinking made him a cultured and polished young man. In the year 1852, at East Prospect, the Central Pennsylvania Conference held its annual session with Bishop Joseph Long in the chair and H. Fisher as secretary, when license to preach the Gospel was voted to Jacob Young. He served his church faithfully and was able to preach in both German and English. This gave him access to pastorates of prominence. He was a gifted man and for forty-three successive and successful years he functioned as an Evangelical minister, presiding elder, editor, delegate to four General Conferences; and in 1875 at the General Conference he was elected corresponding secretary of the Parent Missionary Society. In 1860 he was elected presiding elder the first time. In 1871, he was elected editor of the *Living Epistle*, a holiness magazine, and the *Sunday School Messenger*. At the General Conference, held in Indianapolis, owing to the peculiar state of affairs in the Central Pennsylvania Conference, he was appointed to the entire Central Pennsylvania Conference territory as a presiding elder.

He was an able preacher and a profound thinker. He was sound in doctrine, mighty in the Scriptures, and as an expounder of the

Bible, above the average. It was an educational advantage to sit under his preaching. He was a man of prayer and deep piety. This added value to his public utterances. He was devoted to his task.

He was a kind and thoughtful husband, a loving and devoted father, a sincere Christian, a good citizen, a considerate friend, a God-fearing servant, and a powerful preacher, honored and respected by those who associated with him and knew him best. He died very suddenly while hurrying to get on a train at Williamsport, Pa., on April 12, 1895. His age was 65 years, 7 months, and 28 days. Thus he died while on duty as a faithful son of the Evangelical Church. He gave the Evangelical Church 43 years of unbroken and faithful service.

REV. SAMUEL SMITH

Samuel Smith was born in Penn Township, Centre County, Pa., November 8, 1833, and lived to be 81 years, 4 months, and 4 days old. He gave his heart to Jesus in his youth and united with the Evangelical Church. In 1857, he was granted license to preach by the Central Pennsylvania Conference in session at New Berlin, with Bishop Joseph Long and Rev. Phillip Wagoner as cochairmen, and Lewis May as secretary. Rev. Smith was an outstanding English preacher and was therefore chosen to serve at the secretary's table in order to have the English transcriptions of the minutes and the English report for *The Evangelical-Messenger*. He was a delegate to four general conferences and served as the English secretary of the 1867 session and was a member of the 1871, 1875, and the 1879 sessions. He was a member of the Board of Examiners, secretary of the Missionary Society, and filled other positions of trust and responsibility. It is said that he owned a horse made especially for Evangelical itinerants, because this particular horse could walk as fast as other ordinary horses could trot. The writer knew this man of God and enjoyed his company for he was full of spicy stories and strange anecdotes. His personality was pleasing and he was 6 feet, 2½ inches tall, and agile in his movements. His sermons were Biblical, homiletical, doctrinal and logical.

In his day, roads were but cow-paths over the hills and through the mountains. The most convenient method of traveling for an itinerant Evangelical preacher, in those days, was horseback. Rev. Smith had to go over 100 miles per week to visit all his appointments. His study was his saddle. Into his saddle-bags went a Grammar, a Discipline, a Hymn Book and his Bible. I heard him say, "The log houses of the early settlers were full of fresh air." His lunch consisted of a "pancake" plus a lump of maple sugar. Sugar Valley was named from the many sugar maple trees that abounded in it.

In entering the prophet's chamber, designated as such in those rude homes made of logs, a miniature moving picture show took place at each bed time. Upon retirement for the night, Rev. Smith had to crawl up a ladder, and put his one leg through the modest opening, made in the log partition, and by a very strenuous effort in his acrobatic movements, the head and body followed in due time and due proportions. Sometimes the adjoining room served as a smokehouse. The freshly-made fire would make plenty of smoke in a suffocating volume from a stove pipe that ended before it reached the roof. Contrast our modern conveniences with his. Rev. Smith was humorous, witty and jovial, and traveled over 100,000 miles in making his itineraries.

REV. ISAIAH M. PINES

Isaiah M. Pines was born near Liverpool, Perry County, Pa., November 18, 1837, and lived to be 85 years of age. He was raised on the farm and attended public school until 19 years of age. He had a thirst for knowledge, and attended the Markelville Academy for nearly four years.

He was soundly converted at a protracted evangelistic meeting held at Ellitsburg, Perry County, and was received into the church by J. C. Farnsworth, pastor. With his conversion came a definite call to preach. In 1861, he received his license to preach from the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

He was a delegate to the 1875 and 1887 General Conferences and served a number of years as secretary of the Central Conference. He was also a trustee of the Central Pennsylvania College at New Berlin, Pennsylvania.

His preaching was unctuous and inspirational. He loved books and became an incessant reader, and also a diligent student of the Bible.

REV. ARMSTRONG HERMAN IRVINE

A. H. Irvine was born December 4, 1838, at Jamestown, Mercer County, Pa., of Scotch parentage. His father, Andrew Irvine, left his home in Cumberland County, when in his adolescent age and engaged in the tanning business. Here at Jamestown he married Jane Darling, and to this union was born the subject of our sketch. When he was six years old his parents returned to New Kingston on a farm just two miles west from this Evangelical stronghold. Under the labors of M. J. Carothers, young Armstrong was convicted of sin and soundly converted, and united with the Evangelical church, November, 1847. Under the presidency of Bishop W. W.

Orwig in 1860, at Williamsport, he was granted license to preach. After fifty-eight years of active service he took a superannuated relation in 1918 at Jersey Shore. He was a faithful under-shepherd and a forceful preacher. He was fearless. He had a record of 2,500 conversions. He was a typical Evangelical itinerant preacher.

H. B. HARTZLER, D.D.

Henry Burns Hartzler was born near Yorkana, York County, Pennsylvania, on a stormy day—March 23, 1840. He attended the public schools of his community. In early life he gave evidence of becoming all that he was. He was a voluminous reader and an assiduous student. He took his favored books with him into the fields and would read paragraphs while the horses rested at the end of the furrow. It is said of him that when a young minister, he would find shelter in a covered bridge during a thunderstorm and write poetry. During moving periods, when the parsonage was topsyturvy and the furniture in a chaotic state, he would find a perch on a store box and compose a poem on tranquillity and the fitness of things. It seems there was no place where he could not adjust himself mentally and socially. He was gifted with the rich qualities of an editor and broke out into beautiful versification somewhat like an artistic fountain of a lawn. He was a poet laureate of the Evangelical Church and wrote many enriching hymns. His production on "My Beautiful Bible" is a masterpiece. He was a spiritual man and an able expositor. His literary style was dignified, his interpretations of Scripture discerning, discriminating and inspiring. His lectures on the Bible made you see the Man Jesus walking amid its verbiage. He was a master in the pulpit, and a choice spirit. Those who knew him best admired him most. He was refined and dignified yet easy of approach. His presence always brought something additional and spiritual. He was a favored preacher, a stirring evangelist, a real teacher, a gifted poet, an able author, an ideal editor, and a great bishop.

He was licensed by the Central Pennsylvania Conference in 1869 and served Middle Creek Circuit, 1869-70; Carlisle, 1870-72; Milton, 1872-73; York (Trinity), 1873-74; assistant editor of the *Evangelical-Messenger*, 1874-78; editor of *The Evangelical-Messenger*, 1878-86; editor of *The Evangelical*, Harrisburg, 1886-90; chaplain of the Moody School, Northfield, 1890-94; editor of *The Evangelical*, 1894-1902; bishop, 1902-10; editor, *The Evangelical*, 1910-1920. In his editorials the word *death* had dropped out of his vocabulary as he drew nearer to his coronation. The date of his homegoing was September 3, 1920. We are pleased to add the beautiful hymn:

MY PRECIOUS BIBLE

BISHOP H. B. HARTZLER, D.D.

"Like a star of the morning in its beauty,
Like a sun is the Bible to my soul;
Shining clear on the way of love and duty
As I hasten on my journey to the goal.

" 'Tis a light in the wilderness of sorrow,
And a lamp on the weary pilgrim way;
And it guides to the bright eternal morning,
Shining more and more unto the perfect day.

" 'Tis the voice of a friend forever near me
In the toil and the battle here below;
As I walk through the valley it will cheer me,
Till the glory of his kingdom I shall know.

"It shall stand in its beauty and its glory,
When the earth and the heavens pass away;
Ever telling the blessed, wondrous story
Of the loving Lord, the only living way."

CHORUS

"Holy Bible! my precious Bible!
Gift of God and lamp of life,
My beautiful Bible!
I will cling to the dear old Holy Bible,
As I hasten to the city of the King."

REV. HENRY WILLIAM BUCK

H. W. Buck, the son of Rev. Thomas Buck and Rachel Haines Buck, was born in New Berlin, February 28, 1843, four months after the death of his father. He grew up in an Evangelical parsonage and took advantage of the many privileges for mental training and soul culture incident to an itinerant preacher's life. Young Henry was wide awake and alert. He had a genius for high ideals and a strong purpose motivated him to attain them. With a characteristic avidity and unrelenting determination, this energetic young man applied himself to the development of his character and training, making the best use of his curtailed opportunities and limited educational privileges. The horse-and-buggy age had about it items that were productive of meditation. This in itself was a great asset.

When sixteen years of age he was soundly converted and was licensed to preach in 1863. He entered the Evangelical ministry. In due time, he rose to some of the most important positions in the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He was elected to the office of presiding elder three times and four times as a delegate to General

Conference. Rev. Buck was an energetic preacher, very much concerned about the spiritual welfare of the people and for zeal, forcefulness, and sincerity in preaching he could not be excelled.

REV. ADAM L. REESER

Adam L. Reeser served as pastor and presiding elder of the Central Pennsylvania Conference for a number of years. In fact, his name was on the roll of conference for 53 years. He was also treasurer of the Missionary Society for 25 years. His faithful services, congenial friendship, and wise counsel were appreciated by his conference. He was a useful man, filling the various offices of pastor, presiding elder and delegate to General Conference. He was esteemed and honored for his sterling qualities.

REV. W. E. DETWILER

W. E. Detwiler was born in 1843 on a farm near East Prospect, York County, and reared in a Christian home. When in adolescent years he was converted and united with the Evangelical church. He applied himself to study and was licensed to preach before he was twenty-one years of age, and his was a faithful, continuous ministry of sixty-one and one-half years. As pastor, presiding elder, college solicitor, for many years the capable and judicious president of the Board of Trustees of Albright College; as a delegate to nine General Conferences; as delegate to the Board of Missions; as treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society he served very acceptably. Rev. Detwiler was quiet, unassuming, dependable, accurate, efficient with a strong moral and spiritual force plus an indefatigable purpose. The brethren of the conference delighted to honor him with positions of trust and weighty responsibility. No task was too tedious, no sacrifice too great, no journey too distant, no load too heavy for him to carry. His age registered on the calendar 81 years, 5 months, and 16 days.

Stretching westward from the Evangelical Home on Sunset Avenue, he erected a comfortable cottage, for him and his good wife. His library contained many choice books. He took a great interest in the Evangelical Home at Lewisburg. His last Sunday on earth was spent in the house of God.

Brother Detwiler was a tower of strength in the councils of the church and was gifted in public prayer. His pulpit prayers lifted you. His devotional life was positive and potential. He was one of the Central's giants in his day. His appearance was attractive and he moved about in a neat attire.

REV. JESSE M. ETTINGER

Jesse M. Ettinger, A.M., a son of Jesse M. Ettinger, Sr., and grandson of the eminent Adam Ettinger, was born in York County, December 13, 1846. In 1867 he entered the ministry of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and served some of its most important charges. He was elected presiding elder in 1884 and served Juniata District, reëlected in 1888 and served York District until 1896, when he was compelled to resign on account of ill health. He was called to the editorship of *The Evangelical*, Harrisburg, to fill the place made vacant by the election of W. M. Stanford to the bishopric. He pushed a pungent editorial pen and kept this up until the day of his triumphant death. He ranked high as a preacher and orator, and as a writer he was versatile and polished. His language, whether oral or written, was of the choicest character. He was dignified and moved in an atmosphere of stateliness. Whether in the pulpit, editorial office or social circle, he always impressed you with a sense of his superior character and rich endowments. He was a delegate to the General Conference in 1887, 1891, 1894. His wife was the daughter of Jacob Boas, a missionary crusader.

He was converted when but a youth of eleven years of age. At sixteen he was an exhorter of his class, and met with success in this office. In this capacity he served several years. This was his starter for the ministry. In 1866 he was licensed to preach. He was received into the itinerancy in 1867 and served the Central Pennsylvania Conference with more than ordinary efficiency.

His sermons were clear and logical, profound and prophetic, potent and purposeful, always delivered in the choicest language, with eloquence and power. He was also a gifted writer and for many years a favorite contributor of our church papers. In the fall of 1891, though in feeble health, he was elected editor of *The Evangelical*, and filled the duties of this office with marked ability and acceptability. He met his translation akin to the Trans-Jordanic translation of Elijah that memorable day when Elisha felt the upward pull of his chariot. His last utterances were: "Father, I am dying. It is done. I am going home to Jesus." After a brief silence he said, "What a grand army! Have you your boats ready? Mine is ready, Hallelujah! Tell the brethren I died at my post."

REV. NOAH YOUNG

Noah Young was born in a pioneer Evangelical itinerant preacher's home, October 12, 1846. He was the youngest son of a family of thirteen children. Six sons and four daughters grew up to mature years. Five of the sons, namely, George, Jacob, Reuben, William,

and Noah became Evangelical preachers. Mrs. Elizabeth Y. Loyer is a daughter, and one of the first guests admitted to the Evangelical Home at Lewisburg. She is still living at the age of 94.

In 1871, the subject of this sketch was licensed to preach by the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He served the church fifty years. In 1895, at the session of the annual conference held in Trinity church, York, he was elected presiding elder, and stationed on Carlisle District. He was reëlected in 1899 and served the Lewisburg District for a term of four years. Four times he was elected as a delegate to the General Conference. He faithfully filled many other positions of trust in the church. He was a member of the Board of Examiners for many years, a trustee of the Evangelical Home, a trustee of Albright College, and a trustee of the Central Pennsylvania Conference Bible Conference. He was a good preacher, and a constructive churchman.

BISHOP U. F. SWENGEL, A.M., D.D.

Bishop Uriah Franz Swengel was born near Middleburg, Snyder County, Pennsylvania, October 28, 1846, coming from a sturdy, vigorous and industrious German-Pennsylvania stock. A serious accident when a lad of twelve almost claimed his life. He was one of four brothers who entered the Gospel ministry in the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church. His dignified appearance in and out of the pulpit was one of his greatest assets. His demeanor was of a high quality. He originated things and made initial steps into new organizations. He was an adept in making suggestions; a wise leader and a qualified official. He was a co-founder of the Bible Conference Society and the president of the Historical Society from its organization. This gives evidence of his alert nature and sagacious attitude. He was preëminently promotional. He held many important official positions.

He served as editor of the Keystone League of Christian Endeavor Journal and took a great interest in young people. He was a pioneer in leadership training and a trustee of the International Society of Christian Endeavor, being a personal friend of Dr. Francis E. Clark. He attended many General Conferences and was president of the Board of Missions.

Albright College, his Alma Mater, conferred upon him the honorary degree of Master of Arts, and 1905, Richmond College awarded him the degree of *Divinitatis Doctor*. In 1910, he was elevated to the high office of bishop, and reëlected in 1914. Bishop U. F. Swengel made a fine appearance and was diplomatic in all his dealings. He was a trustee of Albright College for many years. Dr. A. F.

Weaver wrote of him in fluent style as follows: "Dr. U. F. Swengel was well qualified for service and leadership in the church as is shown by the success which attended his fruitful ministry of fifty-four years, by the positions of honor and trust to which he was called, and by the esteem in which he was held by those who knew him. He stood high in the councils of our church and his beneficent influence went far beyond her borders. He was broad-minded and fraternal in spirit; whenever representing his denomination in interdenominational gatherings, in Christian Endeavor circles and temperance organizations, he was never narrow or sectarian, always liberal and fraternal, yet unquestioned in his loyalty to and zeal for his own denomination. He was a positive preacher, a faithful pastor, a good organizer and fine executive. His sermons were plain, timely, illuminating, impressive. There was a natural dignity about his bearing, a poise of graciousness about his personality, a sympathy, sincerity, and earnestness about his manner, which invested his pulpit messages with interest and strength, spirituality and power. Through his buoyant spirit, healthy optimism, and active sympathy his ministry appealed to young people in a marked way and he became unusually successful in enlisting and organizing them for service. The last public service by our brother was rendered in Trinity church, York, Pennsylvania, where he served three pastorates."

REV. SIMON PETER REMER

Simon Peter Remer was born on a farm near Lewisburg, Pa., May 24, 1847, and in early life became a Christian, uniting with the Evangelical church. In 1868 he was granted license to preach the Gospel at the session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference held at Lewisburg, and for more than fifty years he rendered faithful, conscientious, zealous and consistent service to the church until he was superannuated and moved to York, Pa.

He was elected presiding elder and served eight years in that capacity on the Center and Williamsport Districts, respectively. Three times he answered to the roll call at General Conference. His dress was always in a tailored condition. In his tidiness he was painstaking. In the discharge of his official duties he was conscientious and accurate. His mind was orderly. He generally moved with conviction. He carried himself with a calm dignity and a unique neatness. His humor and wit played in and out of his conversations. As a companion he was likable and socially, very agreeable. His mortal remains repose in the beautiful cemetery at Lewisburg where so many Evangelical ministers are buried.

REV. AMMON A. STAPLETON

Ammon A. Stapleton, M.S., A.M., D.D., was born at Oley, Berks County, Pa., January 15, 1850. When but a lad his parents moved to Union County where he spent the greater part of his youth. While a student at Union Seminary, under the dynamic preaching of C. F. Deininger, he and S. C. Breyfogel, a fellow-student, were convicted of sin and both were converted in the First Evangelical church, New Berlin, Pa. He received license to preach from the Central Pennsylvania Conference in session at York in 1871.

At the age of fourteen he enlisted in the Union Army and served in the Civil War from 1864 to its close, having witnessed the terrible battle of Gettysburg. His patriotism ran high and his love of the American flag increased as the years rolled by. His student life at Union Seminary was enriching, and all through his busy life he was an assiduous reader, majoring in historical data. He was a specialist. He specialized in biology and geology, and had collected many valuable minerals and fossils. He donated his collections to Albright College. They are a treasured asset to that institution and its Museum. Later he turned his attention to history and became an investigator and genealogist. He was preëminent as a historian in the church and his literary genius found fruitage in such works as: *Evangelical Annals*, *Flashlights on Evangelical History*, *Life and Times of Jacob Albright*, *Memorials of the Huguenots in America*, *Natural History of the Bible*, etc.

Outside of the Evangelical Church, Dr. Stapleton was recognized as a scholar and writer of note. Ursinus College conferred upon him the degree of D.D. He finished his earthly career while pastor of St. Paul's congregation, Williamsport, Pa., September 18, 1916.

REV. JOHN WESLEY MESSINGER

John W. Messinger was born October 26, 1850, in Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and died at Hanover, Pa., May 22, 1916, making his earthly pilgrimage 65 years, 6 months, and 26 days. His boyhood days were eventful and his education such as one receives in the public schools. He possessed the trend and genius of a mechanic. He was soundly converted and entered the Evangelical ministry when but a young man and was ordained elder by Bishop J. J. Esher at the conference held at Bennet Street, now First church, Williamsport, in 1883. His classmates were C. W. Finkbinder, R. W. Runyan, W. H. Hartman and F. S. Vought.

Fearlessly and convincingly he preached the Gospel for thirty-seven years. In 1878-79, he served on Columbia Circuit as a supply. In

1879 he received his license to preach at the hands of the Central Pennsylvania Conference held at Lewisburg, Pa.

The following churches were erected during his administration: Hughesville church and parsonage, Luzerne, Scranton, Carlisle, and Hanover. He was poetic and wrote a book of poems entitled, "Overtones and Undertones." He made a host of friends by his positive convictions and sincerity. People knew where he stood. His favorite text was John 17: 17, "Thy Word is Truth."

Brother Messinger suffered intensely for more than a year and endured his malignant affliction with Christian fortitude, being sustained by the same Gospel he preached so earnestly to others. He died in 1916 and was buried in Berwick.

REV. JAMES A. HOLLENBAUGH

James A. Hollenbaugh was born March 5, 1852, at Blain, Perry County, Pa., and was licensed to preach by the Central Pennsylvania Conference in 1877. He became a missionary on the Pacific Coast in 1881, and served six years in the Oregon Conference. In 1887 he returned to the Central and was stationed at Lewisburg. He was elected presiding elder and served Williamsport District, 1910-14, and Carlisle District, 1914-18. He was a member of three General Conferences and filled all his official positions of trust with fidelity and conscientious scruples. He was a very pleasant man and loved to minister to those under his care. His age was eighty years plus. His grievous affliction and breakdown in 1921 was a terrible blow to his many friends and a handicap to himself. He lives in the hearts of his many friends. The writer was converted under his ministry as pastor at Lock Haven in 1889. He was a successful pastor. His preaching was Biblical and uplifting. The training of his life came to fruition in the words of his lips: "Life must be rich, if speech is to be of worth. We preach our best sermons in our shoes."

REV. CALVIN LOW SONES

Calvin Low Sones was born at Serene, Pa., April 17, 1855. In his early youth he was soundly converted to God at a revival meeting held in his home church and he united with the Evangelical Church. For more than fifty years he remained an intensely loyal member. He attended the public schools of his community to prepare himself to teach. This he did, and for a number of years followed the teaching profession. Later he studied medicine, but the call to preach grew very distinct and he yielded to the same. Instead of the school book he now studied the Bible and its sixty-six volumes. Instead

of a medicine chest he is now interested in a pulpit. He became a student at Susquehanna University, at Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, where he received training for his chosen career. In 1885, he was licensed to preach, Bishop R. Dubs, presiding at the conference. His period of preaching extended to forty-one years. He served the following fields of labor: Middleburg, West Clifford, Dushore, Bloomsburg, Nanticoke, Hughesville, Williamsport Circuit, Jersey Shore, Red Lion, Carlisle, York (Grace), was presiding elder of the Center District, 1915-19, York District, 1919-23. He served as trustee and treasurer of his annual conference, a trustee of the Ministerial Aid Society; president and vice-president of Central Pennsylvania Bible Conference Society; a member of the Board of Examiners for many years. He was a delegate to two General Conferences.

DR. A. E. GOBBLE

Aaron Ezra Gobble, D.D., was born near Millheim, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1856. His parents on the mother's side came from Huguenot stock. As a young man he attended the public schools of his community and matriculated at Penn Hall Academy and later became a student at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., graduating with *magna cum laude* honors at the head of his class in 1879. In 1890 Lebanon Valley College conferred on him the degree of *Divinitatis Doctor*. He was licensed by the East Pennsylvania Conference, at Allentown in 1879, Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., LL.D., presiding. In 1882, at Carlisle, Pa., he was ordained deacon by Bishop Dubs, and in 1885 received his elder's orders and was ordained by Bishop Dubs at Trinity, York. He possessed the qualities of an educational leader. The students admired him for his sincerity. His life work was that of an educator and he became a member of the faculty of Union Seminary, New Berlin, and the president of Central Pennsylvania College, which grew out of the Seminary. When Central Pennsylvania College merged with Albright College in 1902, he became the professor of Latin and Hebrew and secretary of the faculty of Albright College until his rather sudden death in 1929.

He was one of the founders of the Educational Aid Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference and served as the chairman of the Board of Education from its organization in 1890. As a coworker and close associate of Bishop U. F. Swengel he assisted in the founding of the Bible Conference Society and served on the Program Committee each consecutive year from its beginning. He was a hard worker. The educational interests of the Evangelical Church owe a great deal to him for his persistence in the day of small things. In the number of years served, results achieved and influence wielded,

Dr. Gobble has established a feat which is regarded as unique. Dr. Gobble was recognized as one of the foremost educators and cultural figures in Central Pennsylvania. He was the first and only president of Central Pennsylvania College. He made a great contribution here. It was largely through Dr. Gobble's influence and strategy, efforts and campaigning, that Union Seminary became a college.

Previous to Dr. Gobble's incumbency as principal at New Berlin, in 1880, the institution had not been incorporated, and there was no prescribed course of study, each student electing his own. One of the first things Dr. Gobble did was to set up a systematic course of instruction, build a curriculum, and secure a charter. Immediately the Seminary took on new life. The main building was enlarged and beautified. The charter rights were extended, and the institution blossomed into a college. In 1887, the name of Central Pennsylvania College was given to it. Dr. Gobble advanced in rank from principal to president. For fifteen years Dr. Gobble was the sacrificial servant of this college nestling among the stately campus trees at the foot of a sturdy mountain. His honesty, sincerity, scholarship, Christian manhood have made an indelible impression upon all of us who were his students in the days when conveniences were meager and finances low.

Dr. Gobble took a keen delight in his work, and his interest in young people was evident. Hundreds, yea, thousands of students who sat at his feet can look back with pleasure to the days of real profit and inspiration which they received from him as their teacher and friend. His influence lives on and on in the lives of his students. He has multiplied himself in them. The good he has done is abiding.

REV. EDWARD CRUMBLING

Edward Crumbling was born in 1856, near East Prospect, York County, and was soundly converted at an old-fashioned mourner's bench in the good old-fashioned way and knew that his sins were all taken away, and that he was a child of God, an heir to a throne, a robe, and a crown. His religious experience deepened as the years rolled by. His testimony was always true to the teachings of Jesus. He knew that he was born again of the Spirit and that if any man be in Christ Jesus he is a new creature. He knew that there was "no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit." Of these things he was as certain as he was of his own existence, and it was these certainties of the soul that made him the sound doctrinal and expositional preacher that he has been. In disposition Rev. E. Crumbling was genial and

cordial; in his sermonic preparations, Biblical and doctrinal; in his administrations as an official he was dependable and accurate; in his pastoral work he was efficient and faithful; in his pulpit ministrations he was dynamic and forceful, evangelistic and evangelical. He was able to preach both in the German language and in the English.

E. Crumbling served acceptably as presiding elder for eight years, as secretary of the annual conference for six consecutive sessions, was the delegate to the Board of Missions for nine years; president of the Conference Missionary Society for twenty-seven years, and president emeritus since 1932; delegate to eight General Conferences; president of the Bible Conference Society a number of years, a member of the Program Committee for 25 years, and chancellor eight years. His age is 82.

REV. JAMES CLINTON REESER, A.M.

J. C. Reeser, son of Rev. A. L. and Anna Seitz Reeser, was born in New Berlin, July 16, 1856. In the beautiful month of May, on the 8th day, 1879, he took to himself a bride, Miss Anna Alsetta Musselman. R. C. Bowersox, his senior colleague, officiated at the nuptials. From a child, Rev. Reeser lived in a religious atmosphere and grew up in an Evangelical minister's home. He attended the public schools and was an apt student of the Jersey Shore Academy. This formed the basis of his educational training and cultural life. By diligent study, wide reading, and application he came to the forefront of the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

He was called "The Boy Preacher" because as a mere lad he would accompany George Hunter as friend and mentor on Buffalo Circuit and preach with telling effect. Under the pastorate of John G. M. Swengel, he was recommended by the Lewisburg Class for license to preach the Gospel. In 1877 he received license as a minister at the annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, held in Williamsport, with Bishop Reuben Yeakel, presiding, and U. F. Swengel, as secretary.

His ministry had in it enthusiasm, devotion, skill, statesmanship, and effectiveness. He made a fine appearance, possessed charms of wise leadership, had an attractive personality, a splendid delivery, and became an outstanding and eloquent preacher in our conference. His mind had legalistic tendencies and as an argumentative speaker he was rarely excelled. He had a fluent diction, a splendid vocabulary, and a command of choice language. On the floor of the annual conference he was given a cordial as well as a respectful hearing. He had a great concern for the souls of men, women, and

children. There was a strong passion, like that of a shepherd for his sheep, in his radiant heart. He conducted many successful revivals during his fifty years, and was intensely evangelistic and always Evangelical. He was honored by positions of leadership and trust, and sought to reciprocate by measuring up to the confidence reposed in him. As he built, he built well. His sagacity and the constructive abilities placed him on important committees and various boards. He was far-visioned. He served at the secretary's table for twenty-four years: thirteen years as an assistant, and eleven years as secretary, bringing to this burdensome and somewhat tedious task, skill, neatness, and accuracy. He was elected to the office of presiding elder for two terms of four years each. He was diplomatic and faithful in this office. He was a delegate to General Conference four times.

REV. MILLARD FILLMORE FOSSELMAN

Millard Fillmore Fosselman was born October 4, 1856, at Milford, Perry County, and loved to roam over the hills of his native county. His was a Christian home, and early in life he came into the church. An urge to preach came upon him as the years rolled along. He applied himself to good books and attended Union Seminary at New Berlin. This studiousness furnished him with a strong educational basis for his ministry. He served some of the outstanding appointments of his conference with acceptability and success. For 42 years he served the church. His evangelistic abilities gave him special recognition and his labors were blessed with great revivals at Carlisle and Lock Haven, resulting in 350 and 250 conversions, respectively. By nature he was fitted and qualified for the holy ministry. In physique he was strong, in voice he was stentorian, in personality he was magnetic, in his sermonic appeals he was unusually spiritual. He was in demand as a camp-meeting preacher.

He was elected to the presiding eldership twice and served on the York and Lewisburg Districts. He filled positions of trust and responsibility with credit. He was free from criticisms and no false motive could be imputed to him. He was serious and gave himself with utter abandon to God. He carried with him a divine inner urge, even when a nervous affliction had impaired his health. His age was seventy-four.

REV. M. I. JAMISON

M. I. Jamison was born at Millheim, December 31, 1859, and was soundly converted when fifteen years of age. He was licensed at York, Pa., March, 1885. In social qualities he excelled, in disposition he was amiable, in his conduct he was courteous, in his inter-

course he was gentlemanly, in his motives and attitudes he was sincere. He had an experiential knowledge of the secret of the Lord. He was faithful. He did not complain. He was a New Testament philosopher and served effectively because he served efficiently. He was a consistent student of the Word and possessed sterling qualities of consistency as a man. He knew how to pray. His sermons were Scriptural. He was a tireless worker and a faithful pastor shepherding the flock, painstakingly, and carefully. He was a brother beloved and his associates delighted to honor him. He was a good penman and was an efficient secretary. He served as secretary of the annual conference; of the Conference Missionary Society; the Educational Aid Society, as treasurer of the Church Extension Society of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; a trustee of the Evangelical Home; and member of the Deaconess Board; a trustee of Albright College; and a delegate to the 1918 General Conference. His home life was ideal. He died suddenly while preparing his report as presiding elder of Williamsport District in 1920.

REV. JOHN DAVID SHORTESS, D.D.

John David Shortess, the youngest son of Samuel Irvin Shortess and Elizabeth Kline Shortess, was born in a nestling country home, near the village of Markelsville, Perry County, March 22, 1860. This son was rather husky and full of energy. Early in life he learned to know the leading ministers of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, being a son of the Evangelical parsonage. His great-great-grandfather, Thomas Shortess, of Scotch-Irish nationality emigrated to America in 1770, and settled in Perry County, where he died in 1794, aged 69 years. His paternal grandmother, Eleanor Grier Shortess, was a granddaughter of Colonel Samuel Irvin, of the Army of the American Revolution.

His maternal grandparents, John and Catherine Fleisher Kline were among the pioneer Evangelicals in Perry County, their home being one of the "Preaching places" for the horseback itinerants. This domestic arrangement was the best that could be secured in the days when there were no Evangelical churches. They helped to build the first Evangelical edifice at Milford in 1844. Their membership was at this appointment.

He had for his first public school teacher, R. C. Bowersox, who later entered the ministry. He completed his school days at Marysville in 1877. He had the mechanical genius in his make-up. He worked at the carpenter's bench, pushing the plane and swinging the hammer. While at the carpenter's bench, he felt his need for a better education, and he entered as a student of Union Seminary, New

Berlin. Here young Shortess distinguished himself as a student in the theological course. His esteem for Dr. Gobble, the president, grew with leaps and bounds. His love for good literature created within him an insatiable appetite for books. He was licensed to preach the Gospel in 1881 at Lock Haven, and his first appointment was Center Circuit in 1882. Bishop J. J. Esher ordained him deacon, and Bishop Thomas Bowman ordained him elder.

As a student, he was diligent, as a mechanic he was skillful and dexterous, as a vocalist he excelled, and sang heavy bass in the ministers' chorus of the Central Pennsylvania Conference for many years. In the pulpit he made a splendid appearance and his stateliness of physique gave him a commanding power over large audiences, especially at camp meetings. As a sermonizer he was analytical and homiletical, as an evangelist he was successful, as an executive and administrator he was careful and painstaking, as an expositor he was at home in the Bible, as a teacher he was doctrinally sound and emphasized the important traits in character-building.

He taught school during the winter of 1879-80 and found great delight in the schoolroom and thought this would be his chosen vocation. In the summer of 1880, a positive, definite, persistent, tenacious, irrepressible, and unmistakable call to preach came upon him. This he could not shake off. Therefore, he entered the Theological class in Union Seminary at the opening of the school year of 1880, graduating in February 17, 1882, being the oldest living alumnus of Albright College at this date. In 1924, he was awarded the degree of *Divinitatis Doctor* by Oskaloosa College. His first sermon was delivered with fear and trembling, in Mountain Chapel, December 12, 1880, on the text, "Lord help me."

He married into a famous Evangelical family. Mrs. Shortess was a grand-daughter of James Barber, the fifth presiding elder in the denomination, and the first preacher to be licensed in the new church, in 1817. December 22, 1882, just before Christmas, he pledged his troth and joined hands with his wife, who was formerly known as Miss Minerva L. Spitler, New Berlin, the great-great-grand-daughter of Michael Maize, who was the first class leader west of the Susquehanna River. Mr. Maize lived approximately three miles east of New Berlin and was a prominent layman in the Evangelical formative period. It was on his farm that the first German camp meeting was held in America in 1810.

Dr. Shortess spent forty-one years in the pastorate, eight as presiding elder, and two as field agent for the Evangelical Home and Orphanage at Lewisburg. He served on the Board of Examiners for forty years, for thirty years as a trustee of Albright College, and

one term as trustee of Central Pennsylvania College. He is president of "The Evangelical Home Society, Incorporated"; president of the Central Pennsylvania Missionary Society; president of the Historical Society of the Evangelical Church; trustee of the Educational Aid Society, and secretary of the Ministerial Aid Society. Six times he was elected as a delegate to General Conference and twice as an alternate delegate; a member of the Commission on Ministerial Relief; and superannuated since 1933.

REV. HENRY A. BENFER, D.D.

Henry A. Benfer was born in Bannerville, Snyder County, March 12, 1861, and was raised in a God-fearing Evangelical home, where family worship was observed. This made a favorable impression on him and at the age of thirteen he was converted at an Evangelical altar. In 1882, at Carlisle, he was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He became a strong and popular preacher by filling some of the most important pulpits in the conference. His appearance was attractive and his earnestness added value to his sermons. He was honored with many important appointments and offices. Positions of trust and responsibility were satisfactorily filled by him. He was elected as delegate to General Conference twice, and twice as alternate representative. Rev. Benfer was on the Board of Examiners for sixteen years, and also served as a trustee of the Evangelical Home at Lewisburg. His voice was strong and clear, and his preaching was instructive and inspirational. He was the father of twelve children. His father-in-law was Benjamin Hengst, a prominent minister of our conference.

Rev. Benfer was in great demand as a Rally-Day speaker. His style of preaching was inspirational, dynamic and full of vigor. As a young man Henry Abraham Benfer was a blacksmith, and he brought traits of the shop into the pulpit, and used hammer stroke after hammer stroke in driving home the truth.

PROF. DAVID M. METZGER, A.M., Litt.D.

David M. Metzger was born near Linden, Lycoming County, August 7, 1863. His parents were devoted Christians and observed daily family devotions, made it their custom to attend the Sunday school and the preaching services regularly. When but a lad he gave his heart to God and knelt at an altar in the revival meeting and was soundly converted. He knew he was a new creature in Christ Jesus. He united with the Evangelical Church. His urge for an education and his longing to be good were real incentives to him to attend the church services and be a student of good books.

He consecrated his life to God and in due time accepted the urgent call to preach and entered with buoyant steppings the Evangelical ministry. After graduating from the little red schoolhouse located at the country crossroads, he attended the Muncy Normal School and Central Pennsylvania College at New Berlin. High honors were heaped upon him at the annual commencement exercises. A profound sense of responsibility gripped him. License to preach the Gospel was granted him at the session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, Green Street, Baltimore, Maryland, in 1887, Bishop Thomas Bowman, presiding, and E. Swengel acting as secretary. He was stationed as a junior preacher on Middleburg Circuit, 1887-88; South Baltimore, 1888-93; Wrightsville, 1893-96.

On account of failing health Rev. Metzger went to Oregon and became a professor in the Seminary at Lafayette. He was made dean of the institution and remained in this office for many years. His rich life was a treasured blessing to scores of students on the Pacific Coast. Professor Metzger was alert, active, energetic. He was always awake to every opportunity to do good. Whenever on an extended trip on trains he would try to gain permission to hold a religious service. As a general thing, the passengers enjoyed these Gospel privileges. For seventeen years he did constructive work in both the seminary and the college. The uplifting and encouraging influences of his busy life reach beyond human calculations and accurate estimations. All who knew Prof. Metzger recognized in him a leader, a teacher, a preacher, and a winning, attractive personality.

Dr. Metzger was a saintly man and brought cheer wherever he went. It was my privilege to visit him, almost daily, while he was a patient in the Williamsport Hospital, and I always found him in a happy mood and with peace in his soul. He had victory, because he trusted in Jesus. The term death had dropped out of his vocabulary, and eternal joy took its place. At the State Road appointment on the Lycoming Circuit, located north of Williamsport, the body of Professor Metzger sleeps in quietude amid his native hills until Gabriel blows his awakening resurrection trumpet.

BISHOP JOHN FRANCIS DUNLAP, D.D.

John Francis Dunlap, D.D., was born July 10, 1865, in York County, near Freysville. He attended the public schools and when but a young man he taught school in York County. Ambitious to obtain a college education, he matriculated as a student at North Central College at Naperville, Ill. Bishop L. H. Seager and the subject of this sketch were college classmates. It is not often that two bishops come from one graduating class. This, however, is quite

a distinction for both of these bishops. Rev. Dunlap was licensed to preach the Gospel in 1888 by the Illinois Conference in session at Elgin, Ill. His first appointment in the Central Pennsylvania Conference as a junior pastor was on Columbia Circuit, 1889-90. He served pastorates at West Clifford, Danville, Nescopeck, Marysville, Lewisburg, Lock Haven, and Williamsport (First). He served as secretary of the annual conference from 1904-07. He was elected presiding elder in 1906 and served the Williamsport District until 1910. He was elected president of Albright College in 1909, and served until 1915. Under his strategic and economic administration, the debt was cancelled and the budget was balanced. He also purchased the president's home, secured the Organic Science Building, the Recitation Hall, the Inorganic Building, and formulated the plans for the enlargement of Mohn Hall which was used as a girls' dormitory, and the preliminary arrangements for the erection of the commodious and attractive college chapel. His was the period of readjustment and stabilization in the history of Albright College.

After his resignation as president of Albright College he was elected presiding elder and stationed on York District with his residence in Baltimore, Maryland, serving 1915-19; reëlected and served Lewisburg District from 1919-23, and resided at Lewisburg, Pa. In 1922 he was elected bishop and served in this high office for twelve years. He served on many important committees and commissions in his official life. He took a prominent part in the merger and used his wise statesmanship and ecclesiastical diplomacy in bringing this outstanding event to a happy climax at Detroit.

In his own conference he has been recognized as a faithful leader and a loyal official. His appearance in the pulpit and on the platform was always attractive and sincere. At this writing he is living in a well-earned superannuated relationship and is still serving as a trustee and the chancellor of the Central Pennsylvania Bible Conference Society and takes a deep interest in the growth and development of Central Oak Heights.

REV. WESLEY JAY CAMPBELL

Wesley Jay Campbell, a son of the North, was born at Liberty, Tioga County, and was licensed to preach the Gospel at the session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference held at York in 1890. His mental endowments and personal gifts were wonderfully enriched in this young minister by his prayer life and Biblical culture. All his pastorates were successful. His physical appearance and gifts in preaching were a great asset to his preaching. His sermons were well balanced, beautifully conceived, and nicely proportioned. Rev.

Campbell exemplified what he preached. The truths he preached were vital to a godly life. Rev. Campbell had a warm heart and this gave him an element of strength. He was able to touch others by his ready sympathies. Promptness in meeting his engagements, plus order, system, fidelity, dispatch, economy of time and strength, were elements in his successful ministerial career. By virtue of these qualities he gained respect and prestige among his brethren. In 1919, he was elevated to the office of district superintendent and served Williamsport District four years and the Lewisburg District four years, 1923-27. He returned to the pastorate and was appointed to Berwick (North), 1927-31; York, Bethlehem, 1931 to 1938. On account of the age limit and a siege of illness, he took a superannuated relation and moved to Lewisburg, where he died in the fall of 1939.

REV. IRA E. SPANGLER, A.M.

Ira Evans Spangler was born March 15, 1868, near Rebersburg, Center County, and his early boyhood days were spent on the farm using every opportunity to prepare himself for life's struggles. He attended the public schools of his day. His heritage was a rich one, for he was the great-grandson of Christopher Spangler, an outstanding Evangelical in the days of Albright. At the age of 15 under the pastorate of P. C. Weidemyer he was soundly converted and united with the Evangelical Church. The call to the ministry came at the time of his conversion. In 1892 he was graduated from Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin, and in 1895 he was granted the A.M. degree from his Alma Mater. His ministerial career was freighted with deeds of fidelity and sincerity. His sedate and pious demeanor was dovetailed into his mannerisms and movements, so that they blended into a beautiful character. He served with dependability and brought credit to himself and the denomination. He possessed fine social qualities and was modest and approachable. He served two terms as district superintendent, 1922-30. While serving as pastor in East Prospect, he died in the fall of 1931.

REV. WILLIAM BENJAMIN COX

William B. Cox was born at Dushore, Pa., May 9, 1868, and grew up among the Yankee settlers of Sullivan County, attending the public schools of his community during the winter months and working at the carpenter's trade in the summer. He read such books as Wesley's Sermons, the exciting chapters of Whitefield's life and labors. At the age of fifteen he was converted in a special evan-

gelistic effort and united with the Evangelical Church. He is related to Bishop John Seybert and, like him, became a class leader at the age of nineteen. Rev. Cox is several inches more than six feet tall and makes an imposing appearance. He had charge of a Sunday school as superintendent for two years. He was conscious of a call to preach the Gospel. He felt somewhat diffident and hesitant to answer the call on account of his limited educational training. Finances were meager. He was anxious to have the mental training essential to a successful ministry. He was, however, prevailed upon by Jacob Hartzler, presiding elder, to take charge of the infantile mission at Lewistown. At the age of twenty-four the battle was at the crisis. He accepted the appointment after the urgent solicitations of the presiding elder and had twenty-seven conversions and accessions. On January 10, 1892, he arrived on his field. At the session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference held at Williamsport, he received his license at the hands of Bishop Rudolph Dubs, as chairman and U. F. Swengel, as secretary. Rev. Cox served twenty-nine years in the pastorate and was elected three times to the office of presiding elder, and resigned in 1931 to take up the duties of secretary-treasurer of the Board of Church Extension of the Evangelical Church, to which office he was elected by the General Conference in 1930 and which he filled until 1934, when the office was merged with that of the General Missionary Society. In March, 1935, he took a superannuated relationship, and is at present serving as secretary-treasurer of the Evangelical Hospital, Lewisburg, Pa. For forty-three years he served the church conscientiously, efficiently, and faithfully. During these busy years of ministerial activity, he served on the following important boards and committees: The Board of Examiners; the Board of Trustees of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; the Board of Church Extension of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; the Board of Ministerial Relief; the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical Homes, Lewisburg; the Board of Forward Movements; the Board of Trustees of the Superannuation Fund; the vice-chairman of the Forward Campaign for four years, the associate secretary of the Executive Committee of the Forward Movement, as chaplain of the Pennsylvania State Legislature from 1923 to 1925, the field agent and representative of the Superannuation Fund in the Central Pennsylvania Conference raising our full quota plus \$50,000.00. In the pulpit, Rev. Cox is a gifted preacher, a logical speaker, a dynamic evangelist. He is a keen observer and an able discerner plus the gifts of analysis. His executive abilities are excellent. In debate he is hard to match. His command of language is fluent and choice. His verbal expressions fit into his

mental attitudes and moods. He has to his credit 2,000 conversions and an equal number of accessions.

REV. JACOB WEISER THOMPSON, D.D.

Jacob Weiser Thompson was born in Spry, York County. He attended the public schools of York County and later was a student at Central Pennsylvania College at New Berlin, Pa. He was licensed to preach in 1888 by the Central Pennsylvania Conference in annual session at Lewisburg, and his certificate of licensure bears the signatures of Bishop Rudolph Dubs, D.D. and Dr. A. Stapleton, as president and secretary, respectively. There are some interesting chapters in the ministerial career of Dr. Thompson as a church builder. In his early ministry, he was instrumental in creating sentiment for a new church edifice at Wayland, New York. In the erection of this church his name is written large by virtue of his sacrificial efforts in the enterprise. The magnificent Bower Memorial Evangelical church at Berwick and the splendidly equipped edifice at a very prominent location on Main Street in Lock Haven, were built under Rev. Thompson's supervision. He has been elected delegate to six General Conferences: Canton, Ohio, in 1910; Barrington, Ill., in 1914; Detroit, Mich., in 1922; Williamsport (First church), in 1926; Milwaukee, Wis., in 1930; Akron, Ohio, in 1934; and Johnstown, in 1938.

Dr. Thompson was employed by the Evangelical Publishing House, 1908-11, elected presiding elder in 1911 at York (Trinity), and served Carlisle District three years and Williamsport District one year. At the annual conference session in Carlisle, in 1915, he resigned as presiding elder and was appointed to York (Trinity). In 1923, at York (Trinity), he was again elevated to the office as presiding elder and served two terms of four years each on York District. He returned to the pastorate and was stationed at Lewisburg, 1931-34, Williamsport (First church), 1934-39. This is his jubilee year, having served fifty years as an Evangelical minister. He has filled many official positions of trust and responsibility with great credit to himself and the Central Pennsylvania Conference. He is a trustee of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; a trustee of Albright College; treasurer of the Church Extension Society, and a member of the Board of Publication since 1914—a period of 25 years as secretary of the Board. In the pulpit he is strong and stirring. He is a popular "Rally Day" speaker. His ecclesiastical decisions are sane and sound. He is a good presiding officer. The attention of a crowd is immediately focused on him when he makes an address. His dynamic personality is pleasing. His attitudes are peppy, and his en-

thusiasm is high-tensioned. His frank and unaffected strategy make him a popular preacher. In 1934 Albright College conferred upon him the honorary degree, D.D.

REV. ABRAHAM ALBERT WINTER, A.B., A.M., D.D.

Abraham Albert Winter was born October 4, 1871 in Upper Fairfield Township, Lycoming County, and grew up on a farm amid the frosts of winter and the heat of summer. The agricultural background thus received was a great asset in his later life. Lessons in cultivation, raising of crops, harvesting of grain, self-help and self-reliance, frugality and thrift were valuable items that came to him on the farm. He was the general superintendent of the Evangelical Home for the Aged, the Orphanage, and Hospital, Lewisburg, from its beginning. He built himself into the institution. He was elected superintendent of the Evangelical Homes in 1916, and retained that responsible position for 22 years.

He attended the township public schools, the Grammar Schools, the Muncy Normal School, Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin, receiving his bachelor of arts degree in 1899. Later he was honored with the degree of *Divinitatis Doctor* by Dallas College, Dallas, Oregon. He took the regular and prescribed Theological Course of the Evangelical Church, and also postgraduate work in Kimball College of Theology at Salem, Oregon. He was christened by Abraham Krause and converted in the local church, the Mt. Zion appointment of the Warrensville Circuit, under the pastorate of J. M. King, in 1889. He always wanted to be a physician but every avenue to that calling was hemmed in and there was no other way open but the way to the pulpit. His call to the ministry was as real and as definite as his conversion. In 1896 he was granted license to preach at the annual session of the Central Pennsylvania Conference held at St. John's church, Williamsport, under the chairmanship of Bishop Rudolph Dubs, D.D. LL.D. He went to the Pacific Coast as a young man and was ordained deacon in 1901, by the Oregon Conference at Hillsborough, Oregon, and in 1903, ordained elder by the same conference at Corvallis, Oregon. He served acceptably the following pastorates: Lafayette, Oregon, 1899-1901; Dallas, 1901-05; Portland (First church), 1905-09; president of Dallas College, 1909-11; acting president, 1911-13; Salem, 1913-16; general superintendent of the Evangelical Homes for Aged and Orphans, 1916-38. While in Oregon, Dr. Daniel A. Poling, was definitely influenced to consecrate himself to the Christian ministry of our church, under his pastorate, and was received into the membership of the Evangelical ministry. In September,

1901, Rev. A. A. Winter was united in marriage to Miss Nellie I. Henry, by Dr. C. C. Poling, at Lafayette, Oregon. He was the father of three sons and one daughter.

Dr. Winter served as a delegate to General Conference six times and as alternate three times. He was a trustee of Albright College; teacher of a large Friendship Men's Bible Class of the Lewisburg Evangelical church. He served with fidelity and credit many positions of trust and responsibility too numerous to mention. Dr. Winter died rather suddenly at 3:15 a. m., October 27, 1938, aged 67 years. His funeral sermon on "Eternal Life" was preached to a large congregation, on October 29, by Bishop J. S. Stamm.

REV. CHARLES I. RAFFENSPERGER, D.D.

C. I. Raffensperger comes from an Evangelical family and is the third generation in the Evangelical church. He was born in Perry County, Pa., October 12, 1872. He attended the common schools, took special courses under distinguished educators and graduated from the Cumberland Valley State Normal School. He served as public school-teacher for nine years. He enrolled as a non-resident student of Oskaloosa Bible School, completing the regular theological course and was given the Bachelor of Divinity degree. Four years later he was awarded the *Divinitatis Doctor* degree. For thirty-one years he served faithfully as an active minister of the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church and filled some of the largest, most influential churches in the conference. His social qualities made him a desirable counselor as well as a wise pastor. Historical data are his daily companions. His inclinations cause him to revel in history. Rev. Raffensperger carries a literary twinkle in his eyes. His speech is fluent and his sermonic preparations florid. His rhetoric is embellished with figures of melodic ornamentations. He was elected district superintendent in 1923 at York (Trinity), and served two years when his health gave way, compelling him to continue in the pastorate five years and to take a superannuated relation in 1931. He is residing at Newport, Pa., and serves as class leader and Bible teacher in the local Sunday school.

REV. ANDREW DANIEL GRAMLEY, M.S., B.D.

Andrew Daniel Gramley was born in Sugar Valley, Clinton County, Pa., July 30, 1873, and is a great-grandson of John Adam Hennig in whose house, in Penns Valley, Center County, Pa., the fourth General Conference of the Evangelical Church was held November 1, 1830. The subject of this sketch comes from a sturdy stock of old pioneers who became prominent in the early days of the Evangelical

Church. He was born a twin and grew up on a farm. Early in life, he took an interest in books and read them with avidity. Assiduously he applied himself to mathematics, geography, orthography, German and Latin languages, and was graduated from the Lock Haven High School in 1891. He was the first graduate to deliver his commencement oration in the German language. His subject was: "Geduld ist die Grösste Tapferkeit"—"Patience is the Greatest Fortitude"—the class motto. After his graduation, he taught public school for several years and matriculated as a student in Central Pennsylvania College at New Berlin, Pa. Here he majored in the classical languages. Greek was his favorite study. He graduated in 1894 receiving his B.S. degree and in 1897 he was granted his M.S. degree from his Alma Mater and appeared on the commencement program with a Master's degree oration. He was licensed to preach the Gospel in 1895, at Trinity church, York, and in 1911, he received his B.D. degree from Temple University, Philadelphia.

Rev. Gramley was the only young minister in the Central Pennsylvania Conference in the early period of this century who was able to preach both in the German and the English languages and for this reason he was appointed to the strong and substantial German charges for many years, but later was called upon to serve some of the largest and most influential city congregations within the bounds of the Central. On nearly every field he erected new churches or remodeled them and built new parsonages. Among them were First Church and parsonage, Williamsport; the parsonage at Trinity, York; rebuilt and enlarged the very substantial and beautiful church at East Prospect; Christ church, Baltimore; partially completed the Bellwood church; and erected the fine new church at Penns Creek; the parsonage at Loganville. On all these fields the contributions for the sacred cause of missions were materially increased. Old-fashioned revivals were held and many souls were saved.

In the earlier period of his ministry, he became prominent in Teacher Training and was the pioneer in this kind of work in his conference. The Sabbath School Association of Pennsylvania paid him high compliments and for years he was the Teacher Training Superintendent of York County. In this kind of work he delighted. For years he served on the faculty of the School of Methods at Central Oak Heights. He was the chief of the reportorial staff of his conference for many years and served on the examining board for twenty-nine years. He is a trustee of the Central Oak Heights Bible Conference Society and a member of the Program Committee. He was a trustee of Albright College for several years and corresponding secretary of the Historical Society for twenty-four years. He

was elected secretary of the joint Centennial Celebration Committee in 1916 and on him was imposed the task of arranging the program for that noted historic event. He was the co-editor of the Centennial Celebration volume. The subject of this sketch was delegate to two General Conferences and served as secretary of the Committee on the State of Missions, and as corresponding secretary of the Educational Aid Society. He wrote the weekly topics for the Keystone League of Christian Endeavor in *The Evangelical* for two consecutive years and in 1937-38, served as "acting editor" of *The Evangelical-Messenger* for a brief period while Dr. Frye was on a leave of absence. He is co-historian of this CENTRAL CENTENNIAL HISTORY.

REV. W. E. PEFFLEY, D.D.

W. E. Peffley was born in Marysville, Pa., seven miles from Harrisburg, March 31, 1876. His high school training was received in Marysville and Baltimore, Md. He was converted in his home church during a revival under the pastor, H. H. Douty. He felt the call to the ministry and after two years of prayerful deliberation he accepted the call. Matriculating in Central Pennsylvania College, he was graduated in 1902 as valedictorian of the class. He was licensed in 1899 in Lewisburg and received his first appointment in the spring of 1902.

His theological course was completed at Temple University, Philadelphia, in 1912, receiving therefrom the B.D. degree. In 1933, Albright College conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. He has served on the Conference Board of Examiners for more than thirty years, and as president of the board for the past nine years. As secretary of the Conference Missionary Society, he is serving his thirty-first year in this office. He was Conference Director of Christian Education for eight years, and has been dean of the Central Oak Heights School of Leadership Training since its beginning in 1924. Prior to that he was on the Board of Administration of the former School of Methods, 1912-24.

He was married in 1904 to Joyce Marcella Hoch, a classmate at Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin.

From 1910-22 he was general secretary of the Managing Board of the United Evangelical Church, succeeding Dr. D. A. Poling. He was editor of the *K. L. C. E. Journal*, 1912-15, and assistant editor of Sunday-school literature of the United Evangelical Church from 1915 to the time of merger in 1922. Since the merger he has served as editor of Sunday-school literature.

He is a member of the Executive Committee of the General Board of Christian Education and chairman of the Curriculum Committee.

He wrote the textbook, *Evangelical Teacher Training*, which was used as the first course in teacher training from 1914 until the new standard course of Leadership Training was produced. It is still used by younger groups as an elementary textbook. He is likewise the author of *Seeking Admission*, the textbook for pastors' classes, and *Paying the Church Debt*, a handbook of church finances. In the International Council of Religious Education, Dr. Peffley has a prominent and influential place. He holds membership, by appointment, on the Educational Commission, the International Lesson Committee, and the Editorial Section of the Council. In his home community, Lemoyne, Pa., he is president of the local Board of Education, and president of the Cumberland County Board of Education. He was active in the building of the beautiful Grace Church, Lemoyne. Dr. Peffley is a cautious but progressive leader. During his career far-reaching changes in the education work of the church have taken place, but he has kept abreast of these developments and exerted an influence for the continuous improvement of Sunday-school lessons.

REV. WALTER JONATHAN DICE

Walter Jonathan Dice comes from an Evangelical itinerant's home where he grew up under the influences of his father's piety and preaching. He was born at Forest Hill, Union County, Pa. The Dice family is of old Evangelical stock. His father was the favorably known Levi Dice, who did pioneer service in our conference. His brother, Lyman M. Dice, is a prominent preacher and a gifted sermonizer.

The educational opportunities were of such a character as afforded the sons of the parsonage a splendid start in life. W. J. Dice availed himself of all these cultural advantages. Later he matriculated at Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin. There was a pressing demand for pastors and he yielded to the solicitations of the district superintendent and accepted an appointment.

License to preach was granted him in March, 1898, at the session of annual conference held at Hughesville, Pa. He served on the Board of Examiners and as assistant secretary of the conference for eleven years and as secretary nine years. He was elected secretary of conference for the tenth time but resigned when elected district superintendent, at Carlisle in 1931. He served Williamsport District eight years. He was elected delegate to four General Conferences, and alternate delegate to one. He has been the conference representative to the Pennsylvania Council of Churches for eight years. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical Homes at Lewisburg, of the Church Extension Society, of the Commission

on Evangelism, and of the Centennial Committee. For eight years he was a member of the Conference Board of Christian Education. His ministerial career is full of good deeds.

REV. ALBERT FREDERICK WEAVER, D.D.

Albert Frederick Weaver was born in Snyder County near Aline, Pa., and grew up in a community where the people were industrious and thrifty. Many useful lessons in temporal economy were learned. He attended the public schools of his community and early in life gave evidence of scholarship and leadership. When but a young man he taught public school and as the years ripened his experience in the schoolroom, he also took an increasing interest in Sunday-school work and the church services. Already in his youth there were traits pointing towards a successful career. He was gifted in public speech. Unembarrassed, he expressed himself clearly, concisely, convincingly, on any selected theme. In debate he excelled. In discernment he was an expert. His arguments were clearly stated. His presentations moved with an easy grammar and a fluent diction. The fellow-members of his conference have placed confidence in his leadership. Business acumen is a synonym of the man. His native abilities are a tremendous asset to his efficiency.

Rev. A. F. Weaver was licensed to preach the Gospel in March, 1899, at Lewisburg. He was ordained deacon and elder in due time. He served pastorates at Dillsburg, Mt. Rock, Newport, Milton, Bellefonte, Lock Haven, York (Trinity), and Williamsport (First). In 1927, he was elected district superintendent and appointed to the Lewisburg District, serving from 1927 to 1935; he was reelected in 1935 and 1939 and is serving the York District for the second term. Dr. Weaver is an outstanding official leader, gifted as a preacher, administrator, and singer. He is a clear thinker, a judicial chairman, and a cautious official.

His official honors take in such positions as: secretary of the Commission on Finance of the Evangelical Church; trustee of Albright College and a member of its Executive Committee; president of the Conference Board of Christian Education; secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Central Pennsylvania Bible Conference Society; a member of the Commission on Ministerial Relief; an ardent member of the Commission on Evangelism; budget treasurer of the Central Pennsylvania Conference; treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society and secretary-treasurer of the General Administration Council of the Evangelical Church. In 1934, he received the honorary degree of *Divinitatis Doctor* from Albright College.

REV. EDWARD CHARLES BASOM, D.D.

Edward Charles Basom was born on a farm near Richfield, Juniata County, Pa. His father was industrious and studied domestic economy each day of the year. Besides farming, he also became a tanner and a salesman. There were eight children in the Basom home. His son, Edward, served as an apprentice to an expert photographer for a season. This was interesting employment. But restlessness crept into the ambitious, energetic young Basom, being endowed with an insatiable desire for an education. This is a commendable trait in any young man.

Mr. Basom attended the public schools of his community, and supplemented his training by reading good books such as he could borrow or buy. He attended three successive spring terms as a student in Central Pennsylvania College at New Berlin. He did his best selling books, and traveled through the central section of the state. This he did to earn money to continue his student days at Central Pennsylvania College. While pastor of York (Bethany), he completed a theological course at Temple University by correspondence and received his B.D. degree.

Rev. Basom, like some more farm lads, was timid and hesitant, so he rehearsed his speeches to the trees. Demosthenian efforts were put forth to improve his enunciation, his voice, his powers of speech. Several years were spent in the schoolroom as a teacher. In 1900 the subject of this sketch was licensed to preach by the Central Pennsylvania Conference in its annual session at Williamsport, and was appointed as a junior colleague to his uncle, Henry S. Basom on Big Spring Circuit in Cumberland County, just west of Carlisle, in 1900-01; Emigsville and Manchester, 1901-02. Then the ambitious young Basom went to the Oregon Conference and served as a missionary in that section for three years. There he got tastes of frontier work. He returned to the Central and served such appointments as Mifflinburg, York (Bethany), Hagerstown, Williamsport (St. John's), Williamsport (St. Paul), Red Lion, which is one of the largest congregations in the denomination. It has a Sunday-school enrollment of 2,025 and a church membership of 1,125. He was elected to the office of the district superintendency in 1931 and served eight years. He served as the treasurer of the Missionary Society, treasurer of the Board of Christian Education, secretary of the Historical Society for several years, a member of the Commission on Evangelism, of the Board of Christian Education, and the Board of Church Extension, and served as delegate to the Board of Missions for six years. He was appointed pastor of the Lewisburg church by his annual conference in 1939.

REV. GROVER CLEVELAND GABRIEL, A.B.

Grover Cleveland Gabriel was born in Washington County, Maryland, July 7, 1884, the son of Franklin J. and Mollie F. Gabriel. His early life and youth were spent on a farm, and when only a boy he began to carry a share of the farm work. Having the advantage of Christian parents and a religious home led to regular attendance and interest in the Sunday school and church. After attending the public school at Cearfoss and graduating from the Hagerstown High School, a part of a year was spent as clerk in a clothing store. In the autumn of 1905 he enrolled at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., and received the A.B. degree in 1908.

The teaching of Christian parents and the influence of the church led to definite decision for the Christian life during the pastorate of C. I. Raffensperger. Interest in the Gospel ministry was created by friendly contacts with pastors and frequent visits of bishops and presiding elders in the home. This interest was increased by the urge of the Holy Spirit and attendance at several sessions of the conference held in Hagerstown in 1905.

License to preach was granted by the Central Pennsylvania Conference at Lewistown in 1909 and he was ordained deacon at York (Trinity) in 1911 and elder at Lewisburg in 1913. The following appointments were served: Enola, 1909-12; York (Bethany), 1913-16; Baltimore (Grace), 1917-21; Wrightsville, 1922-25; Williamsport (St. John), 1926-30; Red Lion, 1931-38. He was elected district superintendent 1939. While pastor at Wrightsville, the basement of the church was finished providing needed facilities for the Sunday school and social purposes. During the pastorate at Red Lion the sanctuary of this large and beautiful church was erected.

The Central Pennsylvania Conference has honored him with positions of trust. He served on the Board of Examiners for twenty years, and was the secretary for fifteen years, and served for several years on the faculty of the Central Oak Heights School of Leadership Training. For a number of years he has been secretary-treasurer of the Bible Conference Society, treasurer and member of the Board of Education of the Educational Aid Society, and secretary of the Commission on Evangelism since its creation. He is also chairman of the Commission on Ministerial Relief, secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and secretary of the Administrative Council. He has been a member of the last three sessions of the General Conference and was a member of the Executive Committee of the General Board of Church Extension.

He has also served as official delegate to the convention of the Pennsylvania Council of Churches and is a member of the Committee on Comity.

REV. N. L. HUMMEL, B.S.

Rev. Norman L. Hummel, son of Benjamin F. Hummel of Hummels Wharf and Emma Long Hummel (died in 1928), was born in Snyder County, Pennsylvania. As a lad of twelve years, he was converted and joined the Shreiners Evangelical church which was then a part of the Middleburg Charge, but which is now one of the churches of the Hummels Wharf Charge. Through his interest and activity in the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor society of his home church, he became conscious of a call to the Christian ministry. He received a recommendation from the Shreiners congregation and was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Central Pennsylvania Conference in session in the Bower Memorial church, Berwick, Pa., in 1908. He received his full ordination at the 1921 session of our conference in Wrightsville, Pa. He spent three years in the Albright Preparatory School in Myerstown, Pa., and was graduated from Albright College in 1914 and from the Biblical Seminary in New York in 1917.

He served as pastor in the Central Pennsylvania Conference at State College, 1917-22; York (Bethany), 1922-26; Williamsport (St. Paul's), 1926-32; York (Trinity), 1932-39. His conference elected him to the office of district superintendent in 1939, and he was stationed on the Williamsport District.

On the afternoon of the day of graduation from Albright College, June 17, 1914, he was united in marriage with Edna B. Logan, a native of Williamsport, Pa., and also a graduate of Albright College in the class of 1912. The ceremony was performed in Myerstown, Pa., by H. Franklin Schlegel, the pastor of Mrs. Hummel who was then a teacher in the Mt. Carmel High School. Their home has been blessed with four children, namely: Norman L.; B. Logan; Donald B.; and Elizabeth Anne.

He has had an active interest in athletics and recreational activities from his boyhood. He was a member of the varsity baseball and basketball teams at Albright during all his college years. He has had general supervision of the social and recreational program of the Summer School at Central Oak Heights since 1925.

He served as the first regular pastor at State College. The church building at State College was begun during the last year of his pastorate and completed by his successor, Prof. Paul E. Keen. The time limit made this change necessary. The York (Bethany) church was relocated and built under his pastorate.

He has been an occasional contributor to our church periodicals and has appeared frequently on the programs of the Bible Conference at Central Oak Heights.

He has been a member of the following agencies of the Central Pennsylvania Conference: Board of Examiners, Board of Trustees, Board of Church Extension, trustee of Albright College, member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Albright College, Conference Board of Christian Education, Commission on Evangelism, Commission on Ministerial Relief, representative to the Pennsylvania Council of Churches, delegate to the General Conference in 1934 and 1938.

In the general church he is a member of the Commission on the Revision of Ritual and a member of the Board of Church Extension and of its Executive Committee.

REV. FRANK H. SANDERS

Frank Haven Sanders, son of William Henry and Elizabeth Hartman Sanders, was born at Paxtonville, Snyder County, Pa. He was converted November 15, 1908, under the ministry of A. S. Baumgardner.

He was educated in the schools of Snyder County, Beavertown High School, Normal Schools and Albright College. He taught in the public schools of Snyder County for four years.

Shortly after his conversion he felt the call to the Gospel ministry and was licensed to preach at the conference session held at Lewisburg, Penna., 1913. He was ordained deacon at Carlisle, 1915, and elder at East Prospect, 1917.

On December 5, 1938, he was elected superintendent of the Evangelical Home, Inc., Lewisburg, and on December 22, 1938, superintendent of the Evangelical Home for the Aged in Philadelphia. He officially assumed the duties of these positions, January 1, 1939.

He has filled the following offices in the conference: member of the Board of Examiners; treasurer of the Commission on Ministerial Relief; member of the Board of Christian Education; secretary of the Board of Education of the Educational Aid Society; secretary of the Committee on Transportation. He was a delegate to the General Conference in 1938 and is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Superannuation Fund.

He is united in marriage to Sadie Victoria Huffman. Their home has been blessed with four sons and two daughters: Paul William (deceased), LeRoy Rudolph, Marshall Eugene, Frank Haven, Jr., Martha Jean and Mary Jane.

MISS EMMA DALE MESSINGER

Emma Dale Messinger was born in Catawissa, Pennsylvania, and reared in an Evangelical parsonage. Her father was the renowned John Wesley Messinger, a prominent minister of the Central Penn-

sylvania Conference. Miss Messinger attended the public schools and was graduated from the Berwick High School with honorable mention. She also attended the Scranton Business College and was employed in the office and on the road by the Scranton Stove Company for eleven years. This gave her a splendid opportunity to study human nature and learn the highway of approach to personalities at the psychological moment. Early in life she was converted and became a member of the Evangelical Church. In her girlhood days she taught a Sunday-school class and took a great interest in missions. It was her custom to make clippings and collections of inspirational writings which in later years, as an editor, served as helps and fillers for her magazine.

For twenty-four years she has pushed the editorial and poetic pen of *The Missionary Tidings*, *The Evangelical Missionary World*, and *The Missionary Gem*. For six years she served as the Mission Band secretary of the Central Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Missionary Society. For a number of years she was president of the School of Methods conducted during the summer meetings at Central Oak Heights. This school was a forerunner of the Leadership Training School which holds its annual session each returning season at Central Oak Heights. Her experiences in early life with the cultural advantages of the parsonage, and the emphasis on kingdom interests, were the stepping stones to her life's work as an editor.

MRS. ALBERT FREDERICK WEAVER

Mrs. Albert Frederick Weaver—Anna Mary Crowell (also spelled Craul)—is the daughter of Daniel and Sarah Ann Jacobs Craul, Hall, York County, Pa.

She was converted at the age of eleven years and united with Bowers Evangelical church, later called Red Mount, York County, Pa.

She attended the public school of Kralltown, Washington Township, York County Normal, Millersville State Normal, and was graduated from the last named in the class of 1898 with the B.E. degree. She taught four years in the public schools of Washington Township prior to graduation, and four years in the same township following graduation, receiving the M.E. degree in 1900. She taught five years in the York city schools.

She was elected editor of *Missionary Tidings* in 1909, and served as full-time editor of both periodicals, *Missionary Tidings* and *Missionary Gem*, 1910 to 1914.

On November 25, 1914, she was married to Rev. Albert Frederick Weaver. To them was born one son, James Frederick Weaver, May 1, 1916.

While attending State Normal she held office in the Y. W. C. A., and represented the school in the Northfield, Mass., Summer Conference. She was superintendent of Sunday school in the parental home church, Kralltown; teacher of Sunday-school classes—primary, youth, and adult; member of seven W. M. S. Board Meetings and represented the Central Pa. Branch in two Quadrennial Meetings, 1926 and 1930; served the following Central Pa. Branch W. M. S. offices: president, one year; superintendent Y. P. M. S., four years; treasurer, Conference Deaconess Society; editor, *Central Missionary News*; contributor to the W. M. S. History, *The Abiding Past*; present Branch Historian.

PAUL EDWIN KEEN

Paul Edwin Keen, son of Rev. Emanuel D., and Emma J. Yoder Keen, was born in Yorkana, Pa., August 24, 1888. He was converted at the age of 13, on January 13, 1901. He was graduated from the York, Pa., High School in 1908; Albright College with the degree B.S. in 1912; Princeton Theological Seminary and Princeton University, A.M., 1915; Bachelor Sacred Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary, 1916; Master of Science, Pennsylvania State College, 1925. He attended the Biblical Seminary, New York City; Moody Bible Institute, Chicago; Divinity School of the University of Chicago.

He was licensed to preach March 4, 1910, at St. John's, Williamsport; ordained deacon, March 5, 1916, at St. Paul's, York; ordained elder, March 9, 1919, at Baltimore Memorial church.

He served the following pastorates: Presbyterian church in Canada (Student summer pastorates), Bengough, Sask., 1913; Coal Creek, British Columbia, 1914; Cabano, Quebec, 1916; Forest Grove, Pa., Presbyterian, student supply; Evangelical churches in Wrightsville, Pa., Sept., 1916-March, 1922; State College, Pa., March, 1922-March, 1924; Independent Evangelical church, Myerstown, Pa., March, 1924-July, 1927.

He was college pastor in Myerstown and State College; professor of English Bible, Albright College, 1924-1927; professor of New Testament Literature and Exegesis, Evangelical Theological Seminary from 1927 to present date.

He is a member of the Chicago Society of Biblical Research, Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis and National Association of Biblical Instructors.

MRS. HERMAN A. EBERT

Mrs. Herman A. Ebert (*nee* Carrie Smithgall) was born in Upper Fairfield Township, Lycoming County, Pa., and in early childhood

she took an interest in literature. Books were precious to her. They always brought to her a cargo of rich things, something that was more valuable than the silks of India, the gold of Africa, and the wealth of the Klondike. She attended the public schools of her immediate community, and graduated from the High School of Montoursville, the Williamsport Commercial College, Albright Preparatory School, and Bucknell University, receiving her A.B. degree. She also was a student of the Library Training School, Chautauqua, New York State.

Mrs. Ebert was an instructor in English as a member of the faculty of the Red Lion High School, and later served as the official librarian of the Andrew G. Curtin Junior High School, Williamsport. She has always taken an active interest in church work. She is at present the teacher of a young women's Bible class in the church at Red Lion where she resides. She is the treasurer of the Central Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Church.

Mrs. Ebert is the author of the Woman's Missionary pageant written a few years ago. It was written to celebrate the jubilee of the Society in 1934. The title was, "The Line Shall Not Break." The Central Centennial Committee engaged Mrs. Ebert's valuable services for the 1939 centennial. The pageant "Open Doors" portrays the pioneer days of the Evangelical Church.

REV. H. LEROY BRININGER

H. Leroy Brininger was born in McClure, Snyder Co., Pa., January 7, 1913. He was the second of three sons and a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brininger.

He attended the public schools in McClure and Beavertown, being graduated from West Beaver Township high school as president and valedictorian of the class of 1930.

He was converted and joined the McClure church at the age of ten under the pastorate of J. M. Price. Immediately upon graduation from high school he felt an urgent call to the Gospel ministry. He entered Albright College that year in preparation for an answer to the call.

While at Albright Brininger's activities included participation in the Glee Club, Albrightian staff, Oxford Fellowship, of which he served as president, Philosophy Club and Pi Gamma Mu, National Social Science Honor Society.

During his junior year he was president of the college Y. M. C. A. after spending the previous summer at the President's Training School, Union Seminary, New York City. He also served as secre-

tary of the Middle Atlantic States Student Christian Movement and president of the Pennsylvania State Student Y. M. C. A. At the termination of the junior year he was voted the gold "A," highest scholarship, character and activity award made by the college.

Brininger won the Junior-Senior Oratorical contest the following year and was graduated *cum laude* in June 1934. He gave one of the two class orations on the commencement program. He was graduated from the Evangelical School of Theology in 1937 after serving as president of the Senior class and two terms as president of the student body. He took additional theological work in the Graduate School of Theology, Temple University, Philadelphia.

He was licensed to preach by the 1932 Conference in Milton, Pa. In 1936 he was assigned to the Mt. Holly Springs charge, serving until his appointment in 1939 to the staff at Albright College as Director of Public Relations.

He was married in Reading, Pa., July 17, 1937 to Miss Leona Boyer. An important chapter was added to the story on November 6, 1938, when a daughter, Elaine Louise, found a welcome spot in the Brininger home.

CHAPTER XIII

LABORERS SENT FORTH

REV. JACOB HARTZLER

Jacob Hartzler was born in Lower Windsor Township, York County, near Yorkana, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1833. In the summer of 1850 at a camp-meeting near his home he was converted and united with the Evangelical Church at the age of 18. He was brought up on a farm and his educational advantages were limited. Notwithstanding this handicap, he applied himself to books and by earnest study acquired a sufficient education to enable him to teach school. He studied for the ministry and carried his theology and Christology with him to the barn, the wood-shed, to the plow and cultivator in the fields, and wherever opportunity offered him a sequestered spot. In 1855 he was licensed to preach. Jacob Boas was his senior colleague on York Circuit. He served the following charges in the Central Pennsylvania Conference: Middlecreek, 1856-57; Wilkes-Barre Mission, 1857-59; Columbia Circuit, 1859-60; Buffalo Circuit, 1860-61; Center Circuit, 1861-62; agent for Union Seminary, 1862-63; Lewisburg, 1863-64; agent for Washington, D. C., Mission, 1864-65; Glen Rock, 1867-70; Baltimore (Green Street), 1870-71; editor of the *Evangelical-Messenger*, at Cleveland, Ohio, 1871-80; superintendent of the Japan Mission in the Orient, 1880-87; presiding elder of Carlisle and Center Districts, 1888-96; and served as delegate to General Conference in 1871, 1875, 1879.

He enjoyed the confidence and esteem of his brethren in the ministry. He was a successful editor, pastor, and missionary. He was an astute scholar and delighted in theological discussions. He was one of the most poised and polite old preachers the writer of this article ever met.

PROF. S. M. SHORT

Samuel M. Short, a native of Juniata County, Pa., was born on a farm near Waterloo on May 4, 1883. He attended the public schools of his community and later matriculated at Albright College and graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1912. He completed a post-graduate course in Albright College and was awarded the degree of Master of Science in 1922. He also took a graduate course in the School of Administration and Supervision in Pennsyl-

vania State College. License to preach was voted him by the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church and this action gave him a local license, in 1908. In 1913 he was appointed as an educational missionary to China by the Board of Missions of the United Evangelical Church. He received his license from this conference in 1914.

Prof. Short has executive and administrative qualities which were important items in his career as the instructor of the Albright Preparatory School at Myerstown and in addition to this he had the rich experience of having served for nine years as a principal of the High Schools of Pennsylvania. Prof. Short arrived in China in the autumn of 1914. One year was spent in the Nanking University studying the Chinese language. He was assigned to Liling, in the province of Hunan, where he became principal of the Evangelical Boys' School. Two years later he founded the Albright High School in China and was its principal until he returned to America on furlough in the spring of 1921. He was also one of the founders of the Hunan Christian Education Association serving for three years as the High School Secretary of this Association. He also assisted in the evangelistic work of the mission. He was married in China in 1917 to Miss Rachel Brown.

A medical examination caused the attending physician to advise Prof. Short not to return to China. Ten years were given to the Anti-Saloon League, officiating as superintendent of the Harrisburg and Wilkes-Barre Districts, and as assistant State Superintendent of the New Jersey League. Prof. Short is County Superintendent of Public Schools of Juniata County since 1934.

RACHEL BROWN SHORT

Rachel Brown Short was born at Academia, Pa. She was the third of a family of six. Her father died when she was nine years old. At an early age she surrendered her life to Christ and united with the Lower Tuscarora church. At the age of fifteen she became a teacher in the primary department of the Sunday school.

She was graduated from the Beale Township High School at Academia and later attended the Biblical Seminary in New York City. In 1915 she was appointed by the Board of Missions of the United Evangelical Church as a missionary to China. In the summer of 1917 she sailed for Shanghai, China, where she was met by S. M. Short, principal of the Albright High School of Liling, and the two were married on August 18, 1917. While at Liling, Mrs. Short taught music in the Albright High School.

REV. W. I. SHAMBAUGH

William Ira Shambaugh was born on a farm near Carlisle. When he was scarcely more than three years of age his parents moved to Bloersville where little William played and grew up from childhood to young manhood. He attended the village schools. At the age of fifteen he was converted and united with the Evangelical Church. In 1895 he entered Central Pennsylvania College at New Berlin, and three years later he went to Dickinson College, Carlisle. A clear and very definite call to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ caused him to feel that he needed to gain further preparation for this sacred office. In 1900 he accepted an appointment in the Central Pennsylvania Conference and served very acceptably York, Eberton, now Zion, from 1900 to 1903. On September 30, 1903, he was married to Mary M. Mundis, a niece of the sainted Jacob Hartzler, who was one of the early missionaries in Japan. Mrs. Shambaugh was a gifted woman and a great help on the mission field, but her career was cut short by her sudden death in China. This sad event took place in the summer of 1925 when Mrs. Shambaugh contracted the dreaded cholera. Rev. Shambaugh was pastor at Scranton from 1903 to 1907, and Milton, from 1907 to 1908. From Milton he was sent to China and served faithfully on the foreign field from 1908 to 1928. After his language preparation, Rev. Shambaugh took charge of the evangelistic work on the Changsha, Liling, and Siangtan stations. His residence, in Siangtan, was approximately 25 miles south of the capital, Changsha, and is as large as Changsha itself. The K. L. C. E. Memorial church which was erected under his leadership is located here. This memorial church has a seating capacity of 500. There are over 200 native Chinese members on this circuit, and the Sunday school has over 500 pupils.

After returning to the homeland on furlough in 1926, and being detained on account of communistic troubles in Hunan Province, he has served, since 1927, as pastor of the Lemoyne, Williamsport (St. Paul), and Milton congregations. He was married to Miss Maude L. Leyda, of Franklin, Pennsylvania, while he was pastor of the Lemoyne congregation.

MAUDE LEYDA SHAMBAUGH

Maude Leyda, Franklin, Pittsburgh Conference, Pa., sailed from Seattle for China, Sept. 9, 1918. She spent one school year as language student in Nanking, and two school years, summer 1922 to summer 1924, associate dean and later acting dean of the Department of Missionary Training, University of Nanking. From March to September, 1921, she served as a mission worker in the Inter-

national Famine Relief Offices in Peking. From September, 1924, to March, 1927, she spent in the regular missionary work of the church in Changsha and Siougtau. On the latter date she left China because of orders due to Communist troubles. In 1928 she became the wife of W. I. Shambaugh while he was pastor of the Lemoyne congregation.

REV. CLARENCE WALTER GUNTER, A.B.

Clarence Walter Gunter was born near Loyalsock, Pennsylvania, and is one of three ministers who went forth from Upper Fairfield Township, Lycoming County, to bless the world: A. A. Winter, C. W. Finkbinder, and C. W. Gunter. Rev. Gunter comes from a fine family and splendid Evangelical stock, and grew up on a farm. He attended the services on the Warrensville Circuit, and was converted under the ministry of J. F. Shultz and the personal efforts and influence of Dr. A. A. Winter. He united with the Evangelical Church. His interest in church work grew with leaps and bounds.

He had a thirst for knowledge. He studied diligently, completed a course of studies at the Lycoming County Normal School and taught two years in the public schools. This increased his desire for a better preparation. He was licensed in 1897 at Carlisle and was appointed to Steuben Circuit, in the Empire State, and served it for three years. He entered Central Pennsylvania College, at New Berlin, in 1900, and in 1902 moved on to Myerstown with the consolidation of the colleges and completed his educational training at Albright College in 1905 receiving his A.B. degree. He was graduated with a *cum laude* honor. While in college he was active in religious work and the whole tenor of the student body felt the upward trend and influence of his life.

He was a tutor in the Albright Preparatory School for two years. He became a student volunteer and dedicated his life to the sacred cause of missions. He accepted the call to Africa, the dark continent. The East Pennsylvania Conference Branch of the Woman's Missionary Society sponsored his work, and Rev. Gunter sailed for Nigeria under the Sudan United Mission, in 1906, where he did pioneer and basic work in the educational and evangelistic fields. In 1909 he was united in marriage with Miss Laura Mae Hummel of Kratzerville, Snyder County. Rev. Gunter was the first superintendent of a Training School for native workers, and also served as the supervisor of a "Freed Slaves Home." In 1922 he explored the Wurkum District, Nigeria, Africa. With the help of Rev. and Mrs. Ira McBride, the intrepid Gunter opened missionary operations in the Wurkum District. This field was taken over by the Evangelical

Church. He was made the official head of this missionary enterprise and served in this capacity with remarkable success and until 1934 when, on account of impaired health, he was necessitated to resign. Since his return to the homeland, he served on the deputation platform from 1929 to 1931. He also served as pastor at Northumberland, 1931-34; Wrightsville, 1934-39.

MRS. C. W. GUNTER, B.S.

Laura Mae Hummel Guinter was born in Kratzerville, Snyder County, Pa., and was converted in an evangelistic meeting held by J. Shambach when she was thirteen years of age. She united with the Evangelical Church. She attended the public schools of her community and when she grew to young womanhood she continued her education at Central Pennsylvania College, New Berlin. While a student at college she met Dr. and Mrs. C. Newton Dubs missionaries to China, and having been a member of the mission-study class, her interest in missions was awakened. Later while attending Bucknell University, Lewisburg, she joined the Student Volunteer Band. In 1905, she was graduated with the degree of B.S. She assumed the leadership of Young People's work in the local church. In 1909, she was married to Rev. C. W. Guinter and with him sailed for Africa to do pioneer missionary work among the Jukun tribe in Nigeria. In language she was an adept, and rendered valuable services in translation work in the Jukun and Wurkum languages. For nearly a quarter of a century—from 1909 to 1934—she shared the vicissitudes, the hardships, the privations, the varied experiences, of a pioneer missionary in the dark continent of Africa, until her husband was forced to return to America on account of his impaired health. The Gunters have two children, who were born in Africa, namely, John M., a sophomore in college, and Ruth M., a senior in high school.

REV. IRVING RAY DUNLAP

Irving Ray Dunlap, eldest son of Bishop and Mrs. J. F. Dunlap, was born in York County, Pennsylvania, and grew up in an itinerant Evangelical preacher's home. He was converted in a revival conducted by his father at Lock Haven, Pa., in 1902 and united with our church in that city. He received license to preach the Gospel by the Illinois Conference in 1908 at Peotone, Ill. During part of that year, he served Deerfield and was later transferred to Dixon. He was appointed as a missionary to China and, with his bride, sailed for China in August, 1909.

Courageously and aggressively, the Dunlaps served in China for twenty-four years, under the Parent Missionary Society of the United

Evangelical Church. This period of service has in it some exciting chapters and thrilling experiences. Eagerness to serve made him a heroic missionary. There was a continuous stream of sympathetic service touching the needs of the Chinese people on account of internecine war, floods, droughts and famines. The flood heights of this stream were reached in 1914, 1918, 1923, 1925 and 1927. The work of alleviation was appreciated. A sympathetic hearing on the part of the Chinese was made possible at these peaks.

During the disastrous flood in 1910, Missionary Dunlap received special recognition and favorable mention by the Chinese officials for saving in a boat many lives and feeding approximately three thousand Chinese refugees. This heroic service brought honor to Missionary Dunlap and credit to the Evangelical Mission.

The entire Evangelical denomination was thrilled by the courage exhibited by his adventure at the high point of greatest danger. Rev. Dunlap was stationed at Liling at that time. The flood was raging. The damage was great. A smiling heroism was most welcome. The chaotic condition and menacing flood plus all the concomitant dangers and disasters were converted into evangelistic advantages by the wise, shrewd leadership of Missionary Dunlap. He was an emergency man. A special ovation awaited the Dunlaps when they came home on furlough. His visit to the homeland was full of inspiration and his vivid recital of the *status quo* in China was of the highest order.

The evangelistic note was always dominant in his missionary efforts. The proclamation of the Gospel, the salvation of sinners, and the sanctification of believers, were of greatest importance in Missionary Dunlap's preaching. In addition to this type of work, he was interested in the medical, educational, industrial, and philanthropic programs. He was greeted with a joyous welcome on international and interdenominational boards promoting such work. Our mission had a part in these enterprises. There was a Union School of Theology and the Union Schools for Secondary and Higher Education on whose Boards Rev. Dunlap was a representative. He was asked to participate in the various undertakings such as a member of the Board of Control of the Hunan-Yale Medical College supported by the Rockefeller Foundation.

For years Rev. Dunlap was a member of the International Famine Relief Commission and it was the function of this commission to supervise and direct the use of the most of the Famine Relief money sent to China from America. His membership on this commission took him to Peking several times and once into Mongolia.

In 1912 the Boy's Boarding School in Liling was opened by Rev.

Dunlap, and this later grew into what was called the Albright High School. The Dunlaps had their first furlough in 1916-17 and second in 1924-25. The third furlough gave the Dunlap family with their sons and daughters the advantage of a secondary and higher educational facilities, a much needed rest and to this date two pastorates in the Central Pennsylvania Conference, namely: Baltimore (Immanuel), 1933-36, and Williamsport (St. Paul), 1936-39.

MRS. I. R. DUNLAP

Mrs. I. R. Dunlap, *nee* Iva Giuley, of Akron, Ohio, was, before her marriage to Rev. Dunlap, the superintendent of the Illinois Training School for Christian Workers. While in this position she was appointed by the Board to go to China. She was united in marriage to Rev. I. R. Dunlap on July 21, 1909, and sailed on the last of August of the same year. While stationed at Liling, Mrs. Dunlap had charge of the Girls' Day School and the School for Women. There are five children in the Dunlap family, two daughters and three sons.

Mrs. Dunlap's training and experience on the mission field have provided unique qualifications for a queen of the parsonage. She fills a large place well, in the work of the congregation served by Mr. Dunlap as pastor. They are in their fourth year at St. Paul's, Williamsport.

GORDON SPENCER BURGETT

Gordon Spencer Burgett was born at Middlesex, Cumberland County, near Carlisle. In early childhood and until leaving home for school he was a regular attendant at the Letort Springs Evangelical church of the Cumberland Circuit. He took active part in the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor and at the age of sixteen was converted under the preaching of C. D. Pewterbaugh. He also attended the near-by country school, completed the eight grades and was admitted to the Carlisle High School where he was graduated in 1919. About this time he felt the call to preach and during the pastorate of F. H. Sanders was recommended by the Quarterly Conference to preach the Gospel and received his license at the Annual Conference held at First church, Williamsport, in 1920. He was graduated from Albright College in 1923 and served one year under the Central Pennsylvania Conference at the Hancock, Maryland, Mission. After spending one year at the National Bible Institute of New York City where he took special work in Bible study and after spending several months in the building trade he answered a call from the Red Bird Mission to assist in the construction of some

buildings there. Eighteen months were spent in this work when the Mission Board appointed him to take charge of the Boys' Dormitory and continue in the work of supervising building construction and general care of buildings and grounds. He supervises the program of work outlined for the Dormitory boys which includes carpentry, painting, plumbing, electrical work, farming, gardening, shop work, and general care of stock and buildings. On June 5, 1930, he was married to Annie Ludwig, of Reamstown, Pennsylvania, a member of the Evangelical Congregational Church and graduate of Moody Bible Institute and Albright Preparatory School. She also took special work at the National Bible Institute of New York City and spent five years in the Belgian Congo under the Africa Inland Mission. Mrs. Burgett assists in the work by serving as house mother for the boys and takes part in the religious activities of the Mission. Mr. and Mrs. Burgett have two children: David Spencer, 8, and Ramona Anne, 5. For five years this family lived in an apartment in the Boys' Dormitory but for the past four years they have been enjoying the little home built by the Central Pennsylvania Conference.

WILLIAM E. WINTER

William E. Winter was one of the Evangelical pioneer missionaries to China. He is a native of Williamsport, Penna. In company with Rev. W. I. Shambaugh and wife and their little boy, Lee, and Rev. and Mrs. T. L. C. Suhr, he went to China as an architectural missionary in 1908, landing at Shanghai and later at Changsha. He was married to Allie Grace Reeves of Watertown, N. Y., at Tokyo, Japan, on September 15, 1911, by Rev. Paul S. Mayer at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mayer.

They were with the Evangelical Mission until the spring of 1912, during which time he looked after the erection of the Girls' school building and three residences at Changsha, the doctor's residence, Rev. H. E. Voss' residence, and the Street Chapel at Liling. In the summer of 1912 he built a rather pretentious summer home at Mo Kan Shan for Mr. Evans of the missionary home of Shanghai. In the fall he united with the Presbyterian Mission and was stationed at Yiksein, Shantung Province.

He supervised the building work in North China at Ichow, one hospital, one girls' school building and one residence; at Yiksein, a hospital and dispensary, one residence, one church, girls' school building, Chinese residence; at Tenghsien, Mateer Memorial Institute, two school buildings, one chapel, three residences, one leper home; at Tsingingchow, one church, one residence and two churches for the National Mission; at Weihsien, one chapel; at Peking, one

hospital, one boys' school building; at Tsinaifu, two American residences for Chinese officials, one missionary home.

His principal work in China was the establishment of the Shantung Industrial School. Two of these boys are now doctors of medicine, about twelve are preachers, and as many more, teachers, draftsmen, educated farmers and mechanics. He is confident that all his boys are more Christlike than any who have not had the hard training.

In the spring of 1927 they were requested by the American Consul to leave the station and interior China. They sailed from Tsingtoo, Shantung Province, May 20th of that year, and enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable trip to their homeland via Canton, Manila, Singapore, Bombay, Egypt, Palestine, Constantinople, Athens, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, England, and arrived at Quebec and Clayton in New York State on Labor Day, 1927. At Stuttgart, Germany, they were guests of the Evangelical Publishing House, Deaconess Home, and the Kueklich family.

CHAPTER XIV

STATISTICS

The first Conference Journal was issued in 1880, and no available records show continuous or complete statistics prior to that time. From the files of church papers we learn that in 1840 there were twenty-five itinerant preachers in the conference. The first report of the number of conversions shows 800 in 1848. Beginning with 1866 records have been found to show the following figures.

Year	Conversions	Members	Itinerant Preachers	Churches	Sunday Schools	Enroll- ment
1866	1,911	6,769	45	73	49	3,846
1867	1,599	6,772	47	89	62	5,155
1868	1,666	6,918	52	96	78	5,776
1869	2,239	7,774	56	108	84	6,267
1870	1,929	8,261	61	116	82	5,961
1871	1,906	8,667	62	121 $\frac{1}{6}$	96	6,105
1872	2,296	9,468	63	136 $\frac{1}{2}$	113	8,495
1873	1,777	10,135	80	140	128	9,611
1874	2,691	10,829	77	151	127	10,610
1875	2,042	11,003	80	157	128	10,514
1876	2,903	11,157	85	156 $\frac{1}{2}$	131	11,562
1877	1,941	10,870	76	161 $\frac{1}{2}$	153	12,622
1878	2,780	11,023	79	167	161	14,287
1879	2,406	11,215	74	168	167	14,295
1880	2,070	11,289	78	180	182	16,722
1881	1,450	11,395	75	185	177	16,519
1882	2,230	12,055	76	199	173	16,669
1883	1,667	12,062	83	194	182	15,839
1884	1,891	12,077	78	199	177	15,845
1885	1,876	12,745	84	202	170	16,498
1886	2,038	12,757	86	215	188	17,265
1887	2,418	13,734	92	217	197	18,843
1888	2,199	13,989	96	234	214	20,907
1889	2,213	14,280	88	234	221	21,080
1890	2,458	14,424	92	233 $\frac{1}{2}$	219	22,174
1891	2,302	14,562	91	239 $\frac{1}{6}$	215	22,840
1892	2,386	14,932	102	246 $\frac{1}{2}$	228	22,799
1893	2,393	15,436	100	243	235	23,555
1894	3,160	16,754	103	247	226 $\frac{1}{2}$	23,110
1895	2,488	15,839	102	235	23,514
1896	3,077	16,489	103	192	229	23,174
1897	2,459	16,821	105	192 $\frac{1}{2}$	231	24,918
1898	3,230	17,542	105	218	228	26,183
1899	1,538	17,442	107	226	231	25,697
1900	2,358	17,829	108	226	291	25,899
1901	2,060	17,881	112	233	249	26,601
1902	2,048	18,218	115	236	244	26,621
1903	1,669	18,140	113	241 $\frac{1}{2}$	244	27,005
1904	2,036	18,472	114	245	252	27,850

Year	Conversions	Members	Itinerant Preachers	Churches	Sunday Schools	Enroll- ment
1905	2,855	19,313	113	250 $\frac{5}{6}$	252	28,451
1906	2,338	19,527	114	248 $\frac{1}{6}$	248 $\frac{1}{2}$	30,846
1907	1,852	19,735	116	256 $\frac{2}{3}$	251	29,520
1908	2,485	20,253	116	254 $\frac{1}{6}$	253	29,755
1909	3,560	21,459	128	258 $\frac{1}{3}$	259	32,133
1910	1,464	20,933	116	253 $\frac{1}{3}$	255	33,244
1911	2,229	20,972	116	269 $\frac{5}{6}$	264	33,060
1912	2,428	21,432	120	268 $\frac{1}{3}$	265	33,934
1913	1,876	21,576	125	269 $\frac{1}{3}$	262 $\frac{1}{2}$	34,288
1914	3,958	23,351	131	274 $\frac{1}{3}$	264	36,947
1915	2,221	25,572	128	276 $\frac{5}{6}$	268	39,156
1916	3,100	26,313	124	271 $\frac{1}{3}$	273	40,878
1917	2,195	26,399	136	277 $\frac{5}{6}$	272	39,580
1918	2,014	26,145	129	278	267	34,142
1919	1,889	26,018	131	270 $\frac{1}{2}$	276	33,468
1920	2,046	26,039	128	279 $\frac{5}{6}$	270	35,912
1921	3,019	26,727	134	275 $\frac{1}{3}$	271	37,003
1922	2,532	27,201	144	275 $\frac{5}{6}$	269 $\frac{1}{2}$	37,605
1923	1,805	26,847	149	265	273 $\frac{1}{2}$	43,345
1924	1,866	27,083	150	288 $\frac{5}{6}$	283 $\frac{1}{2}$	43,236
1925	1,972	27,407	151	290 $\frac{2}{3}$	272 $\frac{1}{2}$	45,380
1926	2,351	28,166	150	289 $\frac{2}{3}$	275	46,617
1927	2,000	28,655	152	283 $\frac{2}{3}$	270 $\frac{1}{2}$	44,867
1928	2,303	29,301	150	279 $\frac{2}{3}$	284 $\frac{5}{6}$	46,182
1929	2,702	29,621	152	281 $\frac{5}{6}$	270	46,476
1930	1,463	29,721	152	277	268	46,191
1931	1,827	29,962	151	276	269	47,651
1932	2,301	30,303	148	272	265	47,367
1933	1,776	30,338	148	269	260	46,916
1934	1,905	30,565	149	267	257	46,421
1935	1,751	30,926	143	264	256	47,124
1936	1,502	31,105	143	261 $\frac{1}{2}$	256	46,872
1937	1,466	31,267	142	263	254	46,019
1938	1,649	31,629	148	263	252	45,200
1939	2,048	32,453	140	261	254	45,378

MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCH BY CONFERENCES (Year Book, 1940)

IN AMERICA

Atlantic	4,492
California	2,345
Canada	9,034
Central Pennsylvania	32,453
Colorado	2,964
East Pennsylvania	19,081
Illinois	17,839
Indiana	16,917
Iowa	11,510
Kansas	10,922
Kentucky	420
Michigan	13,639
Minnesota	9,664
Montana	1,072
Nebraska	6,983
New England	762
New York	6,128
North Dakota	3,486
Northwest Canada	2,276
Ohio	23,758
Oregon-Washington	6,215
Pittsburgh	19,671
South Dakota	2,061
Texas	1,060
Wisconsin	17,377
Total	242,129

IN OTHER LANDS

Africa	64
China	2,480
East Germany	5,354
South Germany	12,790
West Germany	6,664
Japan	2,755
Switzerland	7,543
Poland	885
Latvia	237
Total	38,772
Grand Total	280,901

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